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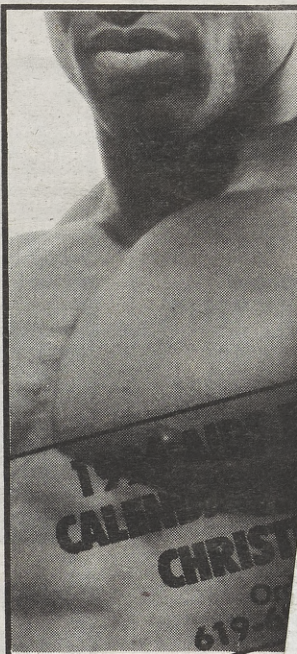


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City Councilmember Rob Kerth, Board of Supervisor Roger Dickinson, Board of Supervisor Illa Collins, Lambda Board President Larry Hoover, City Councilmember Deborah Ortiz, Lambda Executive Director Steve Schwichow, Board member Franklin Anderson, and Board Member Kevin Cohee in front. The City Councilmembers and Supervisors helped the Lambda Board with all the political details of getting the building.

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Realtor Tom O'Neil, Architect Michael Sweeney and Larry Hoover look over the plans for the new center. The remodeling will be done in December, and a grand opening will be planned.



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Many changes at the Lambda Center!!

Dear Editor,

I would like to respond to Ruth Verkuyl's letter "Who's raising the Funds" (MGW 10/15).

Ms. Verkuyl, I offer my sincere apology for the fact that you were not provided with the assistance you deserved when coming to the Lambda Center. While not making excuses, I would like to offer to you, and our community in general, some insight into the recent challenges the Center has faced.

Since July past, the Center has experienced nearly a 100 percent turnover in staff. This type of problem is not unique to the Lambda Center, since many small nonprofits labor under the same financial and staff challenges, however, our turnover here has been extreme.

On the evening of September 11, the staff person in the office upstairs was not aware of your visit. It is my suspicion that you probably spoke with either a volunteer (our new Volunteer Coordinator/Trainer did not join the staff until the week after your unfortunate experience) or you interacted with participants or facilitators for one of several groups who were meeting here that evening. It is certainly our hope that the training we are now able to provide for our volunteers will ensure that the unpleasant experience you had will not reoccur.

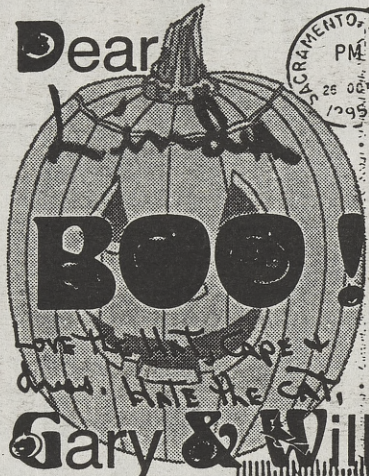
Additionally, the "Pennies From Heaven" fundraiser is an annual event promoted specifically by our friends at FACES during the Rainbow Festival. Sadly, this fact was apparently not known by the person you spoke with.

Ms. Verkuyl, I can assure you that the Lambda Center does indeed need not only your donations, but the donations of all the other generous people in our community like you. Had I known you were there and needed help with the jar, I would have personally offered my assistance. We exist and operate through the kindness and generosity of our community. Every donation, no matter the size, and every moment of volunteer time, no matter the duration, is a precious commodity and worthy of our recognition and gratitude.

You are absolutely right regarding the handling of donations by this, or any nonprofit organization, and we will indeed be paying special attention to this in our volunteer training.

It is my hope that you will consider coming back to the Center sometime to meet us and provide in put and suggestions. We will welcome you.

Sincerely,
Steve Schwichow
Executive Director



Ms. Linda Birner
1725 - L Street
Sacramento, CA 95



From the Postcard Queen ...

Hit and run

Dear Editor:

Concerning the ad placed in the *Sacramento Bee* October 13 by the Concerned Women of America. I call the *Bee* a Hit and Run Queen. You know, the type who comes all dressed up, acts real friendly, then insults you and waltzes away smiling. When confronted the Hit and Run Queen is apologetic — after the damage is done. After all Northern California has read the homophobic ad designed to rid the nation of those homosexuals.

What should we care? Yes, the damage is done. Political groups and their beliefs have been around for years. What's annoying is the *Bee* allowing this group to promote their prejudice. I subscribe to the *Bee*, so I in fact paid to have this hate printed! I called the *Bee* and they were so sorry.

I urge a boycott of the *Bee* to make this queen realize we pay her! What's next is anyone with a buck can hire the *Bee* to print their hate-filled agenda under advertising.

Boycott the *Bee*,
David Andrews

(Editor's note: See article on *Sacramento Bee* on page 3.)

Marie Callenders? Think twice!

Dear Editor:

I am a waitress at Marie Callender's on Freeport Blvd., near Fruitridge. On Monday October 9, I came on dinner shift a few minutes early, so I was there when the day waitress told the owner about the lesbian couple who had come in. Isabelle described them as hugging and kissing and having a good 'ole time." She seemed mostly surprised and confused and seemed to be looking for words to describe this.

The owner, Shelly, came to her rescue. "You should have told them that this is a heterosexual restaurant."

I was standing not three feet away, and I felt as if I'd been hit in the gut. This was completely unexpected. I had assumed Shelly knew I was a lesbian — I thought I was out at work — but the comment was not aimed for me. She was paying not attention to me at all when she made it. How can she have a 'heterosexual restaurant' when she has a gay waitress? All of a sudden, I was afraid for my job. I even considered going to her, explaining the situation, and offering to leave quietly if she would just give me a reference. But I realized if I do that, she wins.

She gets exactly what she wants: no gays. I'm not willing to give in that easily.

Tonight will be the first night I've been scheduled to work since then. I've been trying to get my courage up. I really feel as if I'm in over my head with this — I didn't choose this battle — but I refuse to hide who I am. I want to thank everyone I've talked to — Peter at the Lambda Center and the folks in Postcards — for the support, encouragement, and information they've given me. Everyone seemed at least as outraged as I was, and seemed to think people needed to know about this. At their suggestions, I'm writing this letter.

Sincerely,
Symblione E. Seavey

Radio station chooses not to participate

The following letter was sent Ed Stolz, owner of radio station KWOD, 106.5.

Dear Mr. Stolz,

My name is Monia Perry. I want to address your non-participation in the upcoming Capitol AIDS Walk on October 8, 1995.

It was brought to my attention that your station will not be participating per your decision. I found that hard to believe. Not only does an event of this magnitude offer 106.5 immense visibility, but it helps people. Not only "gay" people, but people from walks of life.

It would seem a radio station with your popularity would want to take part in helping to educate your main listening group, which mainly consists of young people, who need to be taught compassion, safeness, and the value of

human life.

I implore you at this time, as a single woman with AIDS and as someone very concerned about the future of our society, to change your stand. Please become part of a day that historically has changed, as well as helped, hundreds of people, dying and well, live longer, better quality lives.

At one time, AIDS, was deemed as a "Gay" disease. That is no longer the case. Please remember that each and every one of us is affected by this tragic disease.

I hope a letter from me helps to sway your decision. Mr. Stolz, I truly hope to see a table on AIDS Walk day from KWOD 106.5. I would even be willing to volunteer some of my time to help.

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Most sincerely,
Monia Perry

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Sacramento Bee accepts homophobic ad

by Kearse McGill
MGW/Staff

A few weeks ago, I was asked by Linda Birner to write a political column for MGW. After some discussion, we thought that some commentary on current topics which have an effect on our local community and state and federal issues would be important to share with the readers. In order to create a meaningful column, I would like to ask you, as you read this column, to let me know what you think, both about the topics I have written and about topics on which you think I should write. While I cannot guarantee that I will agree with you, I will always appreciate your feedback. You can write to me at MGW or send e-mail at "MyWordMGW@aol.com" if you regularly surf the net.

First, a little about myself. I moved to Sacramento in 1988, a refugee of sorts from South Carolina. I immediately fell in love with this town which was described by some people, not as California's capital, but as the place conveniently located between San Francisco and Lake Tahoe. Some of you might know me as a political activist recently ran for SMUD Board of Directors, but not many know that I am an attorney (but, I assure you, you will like me anyway) who is in a solo private practice located in the Midtown area.

On the morning of October 13 the community awoke to a disturbing message which was found in the *Sacramento Bee*. That day, on page A15, there was a half-page advertisement from the self-proclaimed "Concerned Women of America" (CWA) stating that the National Education Association (NEA) had launched a "blatant attack on children" which the CWA considered a "threat to morality and decency." What was this insidious threat? The NEA, at its recently concluded annual convention, had adopted a resolution advocating programs in schools which would identify and eliminate sexual orientation stereotyping in educational settings. The ad goes on to freely speculate about the type of homosexual themed programs which the schools would be required to do (conveniently forgetting that such programs would have to be first approved by local school boards) and concludes with the words: "Just imagine."

Just imagine. Just imagine what? Schools working to lessen the stigma of children who are taunted and teased by their schoolmates and showing those children that there are good gay and lesbian role models for them to emulate? Or is it something else? What is really going on is the bizarre imagination of a group bent on stirring up hysteria. But is there something more? At the end of the ad is an "800" number to call in order to receive more information. I called. Not surprisingly, very early into the call the operator wanted to know if I would be interested in pledging money to help stop the proliferation of homosexuality in the schools. Just imagine my response.

Of course, what was even more disappointing was the fact the Bee, who has been a steadfast friend of the gay and lesbian community for years, ran the ad. After calling the Bee and speaking with the Bee's president, Frank Whittaker, it seems that there was an honest mistake. He forcefully stated that something like this would never happen again and that the parties responsible for approving the ad had simply not paid that much attention to it.

There was a rally the next day to express outrage that such outlandish statements could be said about the community. Kevin Cohee of the Lambda Center said that reaction to the ad was very strong and loud.

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The NEA, this nation's largest education union, passed a resolution this summer at their annual convention. This resolution (reprinted in the center of this ad) advances the celebration of gays, lesbians, bisexuals, and transsexuals for an entire month in all public schools throughout the nation.

This idea that school children should celebrate homosexuality at all—much less an entire month of study—is proof of how misguided the NEA is. They sincerely expect an entire nation of school children to accept the homosexual, lesbian, and bisexual lifestyle as normal.

THIS IS A BLATANT ATTACK ON CHILDREN AND SCHOOLS

What's really frightening is the thought that our children will be celebrating the history of a group of people who historically prey on the innocence of minors.

That's a fact (although not politically correct). According to the Reisman & Johnson Report, 1995, among the 166 gays and lesbians of historical significance, 49% admitted to having sex with a minor.

This information comes directly from the Alyson Almanac, the fact book of the lesbian and gay community. This Almanac claims some research indicates that Jesus Christ, Winston Churchill, and George Washington were homosexuals. This Almanac is likely to be the main resource for selecting your children will study during this month-long celebration.

THIS IS A MOCKERY OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Imagine the environment your children will be in for an entire month. As with any month of study, the library, lunchroom, and hallways will be

THE 1995-96 RESOLUTIONS of the National Education Association

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Think about the guest speakers—their topics for discussion and how they are likely to present themselves to the full assembly of the school.

Consider the personal involvement your child will experience when they are required to conduct a study and write a report on a homosexual, lesbian, and bisexual.

And then there are films to watch and pro-homosexual displays to build in the classrooms. Just imagine.

THIS IS A THREAT TO MORALITY & DECENCY

Anything that can be done to chip away at morality and family values will further this extremist cause.

This resolution is just another example of how our society is being manipulated.

Our children and our schools are clearly being targeted. And in the

process, the nation's largest teachers union is helping to make it happen.

THIS MUST BE STOPPED NOW

It is vital that this campaign by the National Education Association be exposed and stopped.

That's why we have developed an action information packet free to anyone who calls the phone number below. These packets include a copy of the NEA resolution and information on how you can stop this from entering in your children's schools.

Homosexual organizations have selected October as Lesbian and Gay History Month. It's already being celebrated in some schools. It may be celebrated at your school before the month is over. Please call now. This must be stopped!

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Sacramento and these other cities? No one can know for certain, but I can venture a guess. The ad was, in my mind, a CWA ploy designed to fleece their own flocks for cash.

Think about it for a minute. That sort of ad, containing such inflammatory language, wasn't really meant for our community. It wasn't meant to stimulate debate either. It seems most plausible that it was meant for one thing: to raise money from people who will react to such outlandish statements. It seems that money is something that this organization desperately needs. According to Jerry Sloan who tracks these groups, CWA operates on an annual budget of \$6 million. This organization, headed by a husband and wife team, Tim and Beverly LaHayes, focuses on the staple ideology of the extreme right: passage of laws restricting choice and returning mandated prayers to public schools, among other issues. However, according to some sources, they are particularly focused on homosexuality. Tim LaHayes even recently published a book on how to leave the homosexual "lifestyle."

Six million dollars is a lot of money to raise, which means that CWA has to keep looking for new donors. Unfortunately, we do have a number of

homophobes in town, and, since CWA has no base of operations here, to them it probably seems like a good place to find new recruits.

So, in the end, what should we make of this whole episode? Is there perhaps some lesson to be learned? I think that we should take this action by CWA as a shot across our collective bow. In fact, in a bizarre way, we should thank CWA, for reminding us that there still many, many people, both in Sacramento and elsewhere, who would like to shove us back into the closet and silence us. Thankfully, based on our community's response and the response of the Bee, I think that groups like the CWA are not going to succeed in this town unless it is to make money off of their own ignorant kind. ▼

The Bee ad above has been reduced from a half-page. Below is the actual size of the apology.

A note to our readers

Friday, The Bee ran an advocacy advertisement on page A15 which opposed a recent resolution of the National Education Association regarding various activities connected with Lesbian and Gay History Month. Included were several inflammatory statements that should have been modified or removed as a condition of The Bee's acceptance of this ad. We apologize for this error.

— Frank Whittaker
President

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UNDER THE DOME



Migden visits Sacramento

S.F. Supervisor Carol Migden takes time out with Sacramentans Eileen Gillis and Mary Zaun. Migden was in town September 27 attending a fundraiser for her campaign for the 1996 State Assembly race. Migden is running for Willie Brown's vacated seat. The fundraiser was held at the home of Jay Feagles.

MGW/John Mounier

A grueling year for lesbian, gay legislation

California's lesbian, gay and AIDS lobby recently concluded its analysis of the 1995 legislative session, announced Robert Rios, Public Policy Director for LIFE. The session officially concluded on October 16, the deadline for all bills passed by the Legislature to be signed or vetoed by the Governor.

"It was a grueling year for our issues," Rios said. "While we staved off many of the more onerous proposals, it was extremely difficult to garner support for proactive measures on lesbian, gay and HIV-related issues. Given the political dynamics that wreaked havoc on the Assembly, politicians of both parties were reluctant to take on our issues."

In reviewing the highlights of the 1995 session, Rios noted that AIDS programs were protected from cuts in the state budget. He attributed these protections in part to the success of AIDS Lobby Day in May, which brought 300 citizen activists from throughout California to the Capitol to lobby on AIDS funding. Additionally, legislation was passed and signed into law to increase the baseline energy allowances for people with AIDS who have special heating or cooling needs. The bill, SB 248, was authored by Senator Tom Hayden (D-Santa Monica) and takes effect January 1, 1996.

"But once again, our government has proved itself shortsighted," Rios said. "Wilson vetoed bills to allow the medical use of marijuana, to allow Medi-Cal patients access to bottled water to avoid cryptosporidium, to allow terminally-ill inmates to be released from prison to die at home. And we couldn't even get needle exchange legislation out of committee this year!"

LIFE has been the statewide voice for California's lesbian, gay,

bisexual and transgendered communities since it was founded in 1986. LIFE was responsible for our employment and housing protections and passed the nation's first domestic partners law last year (which was vetoed by the Governor), but 1995 was ultimately frustrating.

"By and large, state legislators sidestepped the issue of lesbian, gay and bisexual civil rights," commented Ellen McCormick, a civil rights lobbyist for LIFE. "Not one bill that specifically expanded or delineated our civil rights protections passed out a policy committee — whether domestic partners or protections for queer youth." McCormick added that many legislators were eager to seek compromises on bad bills rather than stand up against anti-gay legislation.

"When a bill was introduced to stop college campuses from banning ROTC, it was all about us. ROTC admittedly rejects

openly-lesbian and gay students; state colleges and universities prohibit such outright discrimination," she explained. "But rather than kill the bill and say discrimination is unacceptable, legislators rewrote the bill to imply that the State Legislature has no opinion on the issue." Other legislation that received similar treatment was SJR 3, which originally blamed the entertainment industry for programming which "causes ... AIDS." [sic] Instead of being defeated, it was watered down to urge an end to violent and sexually-explicit programming.

"We are pleased, however, that the Legislature took significant action to address the problems of domestic violence," McCormick continued. "Same-sex relations are covered under existing law, so all the bills they passed on the issue apply to our relationships without distinction. When grappling with such a painful issue, it is gratifying to know that the queer victims of domestic violence will be covered," she concluded.

LIFE is currently preparing for the start of the legislative session this January. In November, the House of Delegates for LIFE will be meeting in Palm Springs to outline the public policy priorities for 1996 for both civil rights and for healthcare. LIFE, a nonprofit lobby, is California's only statewide advocate for the lesbian, gay, and HIV-affected communities. ▼

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Carmichael Rec & Park District	Open Filing	1 resident of area
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County Service Area #4C	Open Filing	1 resident of area
County Service Area #4D	Open Filing	1 resident of area
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Sacramento Comm of History & Science	Open Filing	1 member (nom by Supv Dist 2)
Sacramento County Mental Health Bd	Open Filing	1 public interest, 1 consumer
South Sac Area Comm Plan Adv Council	Open Filing	1 resident of area
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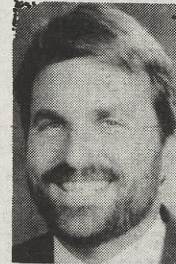
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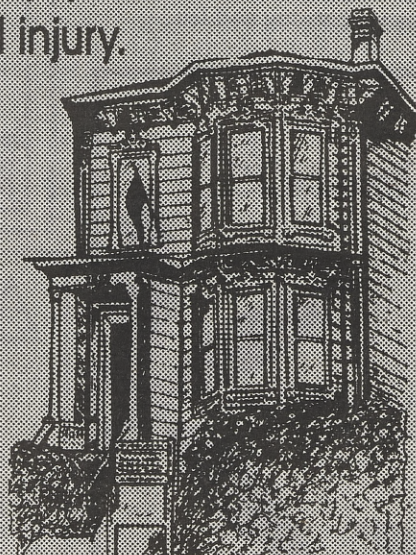
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To go, or not to go at all

by Christopher Solis
MGW/Food Editor

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Imagine going into the bank. You're standing at the teller window and you announce "I would like to make a deposit and a withdrawal." The Teller peers above her glasses at you, and responds, "No. We have too many people with accounts here. You may make a deposit or a withdrawal. One or the other, but not both." You peer around and can't see a soul standing behind you in between the velvet red ropes. But no matter, your choices are, a deposit or a withdrawal. Hmmm? You look into her face in disbelief. What? This is service? All right, so imagine that same look on ones face when you sit down at Zelda's, and announce you would like to order three pizzas now, and for the waitress to come back in fifteen minutes and you will order three more and she says "No. You may order six pizzas now, or you may order none." Say WHAT?

Like a scene from a bad horror film the room spins, and you feel as though you're caught up in a rerun of the *Twilight Zone*. No? No? Isn't that phrase reserved only in restaurants when inquiring if one can write a check? All right, so surely this poor misguided "Food Service Technician" has mistaken this patron for a non-paying customer. You ask to speak to the manager, who comes over to your table and with all the grace of a truck driver responds (while crossing her arms), "No." You scratch your head, you ponder, but you can't come up with a good reason why this is happening to you. "OK" you ask "Why not?" She uncrosses her arms, her eyes comes a little closer together and she says, "Because our pizzas take a minimum of thirty minutes to prepare (not my problem), and because we're such a small establishment (also, not my problem), and because

someone else may need this table (Again, not my problem. Strike three, you're out).

So, I go on and on about Zelda's to a few of my friends. Tell them it's the best pizza in town. The twelve of us decide to venture down after work, the problem is that six of us are off at 5:30 and six of us are off at 5:45. No problem. Six of us arrive, decide what we want and simply ask the waitress to return when the other half of our party arrives to take the rest of the order. Sound simple? NOT. Zelda's "Chicago-style in the pan" should add "all-the-bad-service-you-can-stand", to the tag-line printed on its menu. The problem is so legendary that more than one person I relayed this tale-o-horror to, responded with "Oh, yeah... that place". One, even went so far to describe it as a place she patronizes only when she is feeling severely "in-need of emotional abuse." Fortunately, or unfortunately as

the case may be, none of this poor hospitality translates into bad food. That is unfortunate, because as much as I would wish to swear that I won't be returning, I don't know if that is a promise that can be kept.

There are other places in town notorious for bad service.

living, the same can't be said for this pizza. You really can't find pizza like this anywhere in town. The problem is, they know it.

Located on 21st Street between N and O, Zelda's serves up sandwiches, pasta, and pizza! A small cheese (about four pieces) starts at \$5.75, and a large "Everything" (About eight pieces) goes for \$16.45. What sets apart this pizza from any other you may have tasted is the crust. It is billed as Chicago-Style and the best way to describe that to someone who's never tasted Chicago style, is that the crust is more like a "pie crust" than a "bread" crust served at most pizzerias. The atmosphere is a dark dungeon 1960's-never-been-redecorated.

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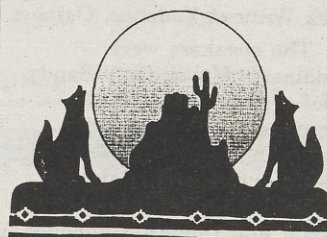
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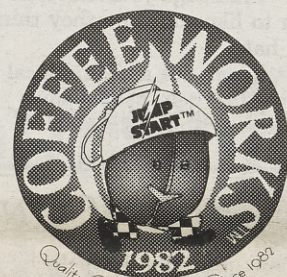
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Let the Miracles Begin: December 3

A silent and live auction featuring a trip to the Bahamas, golf packages, gym memberships and a jade ring, will highlight the Sixth Annual Christmas Gala to benefit the Hand-to-Hand program Sunday, December 3, two days after World AIDS Day.

Scott Capurro, a nationally acclaimed comic, and Mitch Truswell, the Emmy Award winning anchor of Channel 40 News, will co-emcee the event at the Radisson Hotel, 500 Leisure Lane, 5-9pm. The gala will feature hors d'oeuvres, libations, live entertainment, a 12-piece band, and guest speakers. Tickets are \$50 a person and black tie is optional.

The funds raised will go toward care, advocacy, and

education. The Sacramento AIDS Foundation's Hand-to-Hand matches volunteers with AIDS patients to provide emotional support on a one-to-one basis. The volunteers help with cooking, cleaning, shopping and other tasks. The gala provides a substantial amount of the program's funding, and enabled Hand-to-Hand to provide 15,000 hours of assistance to clients last year. ▼



The Local AIDS Walk brought out everyone on a perfect weather day! MGW/Frank Lawler

Candlelight vigil in Woodland

The Candlelight Vigil was coordinated by Joseph Hernandez (PFLAG), and sponsored by the City of Woodland Parks, Recreation and Community Service Department during the Week Without Violence, October 15-21.

The speakers were Woodland's Mayor Gary Sandy, Chief of Police Russ Smith, Community Partners for Education Cath Posehn, Kathi Wilcox (aunt of Brit Bahn — person killed on I-80), Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Center Director Jean Jordan, and Yolo Unites' Marilyn Hays.

Hernandez worked with Posehn who approached him with the idea of community groups in Woodland working in collaboration with WCPE in recognizing the Week Without Violence.

Posehn is from the Woodland Community Partners for education. The group is working towards improving the quality of education for all the youth in Woodland, and is concerned with the level of violence in the community in the past few years and its impact on the neighborhoods and schools. Posehn spearheaded the program by contacting over 40 local organizations.

The National YWCA created the Week Without Violence campaign to demonstrate and support local alternatives to violence.

Recommendations to the communities involved in a Week Without Violence:

- Work with children and adults in your community to identify unsafe areas.
- Contact local law enforcement agencies to make places safer.
- Hold or sponsor activities that promote safe zones where

Zelda's

from pg. 5

nightmare, that isn't even worth discussing. The pasta and the sandwiches? Forget it. But if pizza is your passion, here's the place. Want a half-and-half pizza? Want a substitution on that order? Want that pizza in a hurry? To quote a now famous waitress and her courtesy-conscious-hostess/boss, the answer is, "No." The sign on the wall says MINIMUM 30 MINUTES WAIT...and that is the most optimistic treatment you'll get here. You may do better to time the kitchen with a calendar, than a stop watch. Upon the last visit the wait time was approximately one hour, ten minutes.

So the next time you're at the gas station and the attendant says "No" to your request for a fill-up and to check the oil, ask "Did you used to work at Zelda's?" It seems that whole "hospitality" thing, escapes them down there. But if you crave good pizza with plenty toppings and even more attitude piled on...now you know. Just don't look for me. I'm getting mine "TO-GO" or not at all. ▼

Activist to visit Westminster Presbyterian Church

The Rev. Dr. Jane Adams Spahr, an activist in the More Light movement to welcome lesbians and gay men into the Presbyterian Church, will visit Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1300 N St. over the Thanksgiving weekend.

Spahr will be the featured speaker for a series of church and community meetings on November 26 and 27, at 9am and the 10:30am services.

Since 1993 she has served as Evangelist for "That All May Freely Serve," a project of Westminster Presbyterian Church in Tiburon, and Downtown Presbyterian Church in Rochester, NY.

Spahr is known nationally for her selection in 1991 to serve as the first openly lesbian local pastor in the Presbyterian Church (USA). Her call to Downtown Presbyterian Church

was later challenged by several other churches in the Rochester-area Presbytery of the Genesee Valley. After several appeals, the denomination's Permanent Judicial Commission refused to allow Spahr to assume the position of co-pastor.

The second service includes an appearance by the Sacramento Women's Chorus.

She also will speak Monday (the 27th) at 7pm in the Westminster sanctuary. The address, which is open to the community, includes a brief program by the Sacramento Men's Chorus.

Spahr is founder and first executive director of Spectrum Center for Lesbian, Gay and

Bisexual Concerns in San Anselmo. She also served as executive director of the Council of Oakland Presbyterian Churches, but was forced to resign after publicly announcing her sexual orientation.

A resident of San Rafael, Spahr is co-editor of the book *Called Out: The Voice and Gifts of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered Presbyterians*. ▼

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WEB watch

(1) The Cable News Network (CNN) has launched a web site (<http://www.cnn.com>) that — according to CNN President Tom Johnson — "upholds the high standards for fairness, completeness and timeliness that CNN has set for itself and which the world has come to expect." 3) A current list of participating stations and "lots of other information" about This Way Out — the "international gay & lesbian radio magazine" show — can now be found in the Queer Resources Directory ([http://www.qrd.org/qrd/www/media/radio/this way out](http://www.qrd.org/qrd/www/media/radio/this%20way%20out)).▼

Gay gopher

The Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender (GLBT) Programs Office of the University of Minnesota operates the Information and Referral Database (IRD). The IRD utilizes the "Gopher" search program and provides on-line access to a broad range of informational sources, organizational listings, educational media teaching and remedial teaching resources. GLBT Programs Office, University of Minnesota, 425 Walter Library, 117 Pleasant St. S.E., Minneapolis, MN 55455-0110, e-mail gltb@maroon.tc.umn.edu.▼

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Web watch.

The World Wide Web is fertile ground for opposition research. To keep an eye on the hate-mongers, on-line activists recommend these unpleasant pages: "Aryan Crusader's Library" (<http://www.io.com/~riogsdon/>), "Cell Church" (<http://www-sales.uiue.edu/~jreid/cell-church/>), "The Christian Coalition/Christian Broadcasting Network" (<http://the700club.org/>), Focus on the Family (<http://www.es.albandy.edu/~ault/fof.html>), "National Alliance" (<http://www.natvan.com/>) "Promise Keepers" (<http://www.whitedove.com/pk/index.html>), and "Stormfront" <http://204.181.176.4/stormfront/default.htm>).▼

For whom the bell tolls

Lea Delaria — the out and proud lesbian comic — recently taped an episode of *Saved by the Bell*, the popular NBC produced series that targets young viewers. Apparently there is a "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy in force at Bayside High, the fictional school that provides the setting for *Saved by the Bell*. And just like the U.S. military, Bayside adheres to a firm double-standard. Because lesbians and gays are "never mentioned" on programs like

Saved by the Bell, young audiences are relentless socialized in the ways of hatred and fear. The message is loud and clear — only heterosexuals are worth mentioning, only heterosexuality is acceptable.▼

Spring into action!

The *Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph* has solicited public opinion about a profoundly homophobic "Resolution for Community Standards" campaign. The "Resolution" is a sort of non-binding, "do-it-yourself" declaration of hate principals that can be adopted by any city council, school board or other governing body. The campaign is sponsored by the "Colorado for Family Values", the heterosexual supremacist cult that championed Colorado's "Amendment 2". Ground Zero — a Colorado organization defending the basic civil rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered citizens — has asked that everyone, everywhere respond to the *Gazette Telegraph*'s request for public input. Write: "Tell It To The *Gazette Telegraph*," Box 1779, Colorado Springs, CO 80901, e-mail gazette@usa.net; copy your comments to: The Mayor, City

Council of Colorado Springs, Box 1575, Colorado Springs, CO 80901; Board of Commissioners of El Paso County, 27 E. Vermijo 3rd Floor, Colorado Springs, CO 80901, e-mail GrndZeroCo@aol.com.▼

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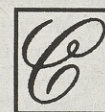
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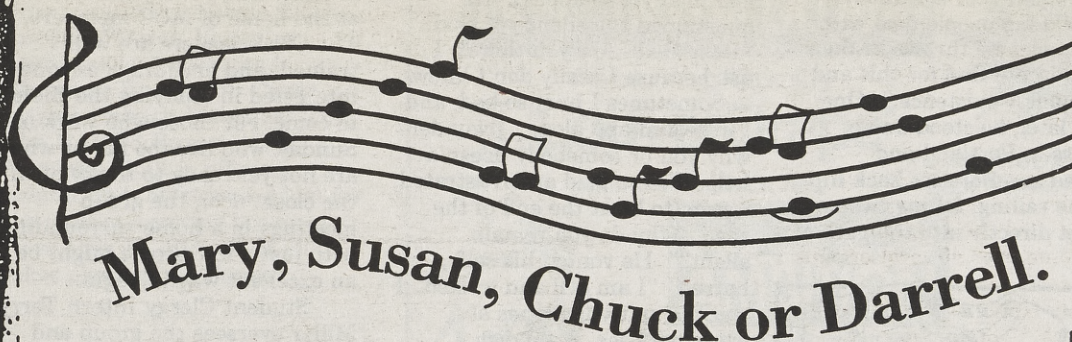


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The possibility and promise of prayers

by Jennifer L. Selig
MGW/Youth Editor

Prayers for Bobby: A Mother's Coming to Terms with the Suicide of her Gay Son, Leroy Aarons, HarperSanFrancisco, 1195, 271 pages, \$22 hardback.

My sister just had her first baby, my first niece, my mother's first grandchild, my grandmother's first great-grandchild. Lately I have been so present to the promise that a new baby holds, the promise of a life so slowly unfolding, so precious and new and full of endless possibility.

But what happens if your child, your niece, your granddaughter, grows up to become someone you find sinful, disgusting, and perverted? What happens if your child grows up to become someone your God disdains, rejects, and condemns? What happens to that promise? What becomes of that possibility?

Bobby Griffith was born in 1963, from the beginning "a gentle spirit, almost too good and too obedient, yet endearing and lovable." His mother Mary, as zealously religious as her name suggests, worried about his "sissy" tendencies--his love of dressing up, his desire for a doll for Christmas, his artistic bent and lack of interest in sports. When she found out he was gay, she turned to her God, her church, and her pastor to try to cure Bobby of his unpardonable sin. But try as Bobby might to accept God and allow Him to take away his homosexuality, it didn't work.

One day in 1983, he wrote in his journal, "I hate living on this earth. . . I think God must get a certain amount of self-satisfaction watching people deal with the obstacles he throws in their path. . . I hate God for this and for my shitty existence." One month later, he stood on an overpass in Portland and executed an effortless back flip over the railing, falling twenty-five feet directly into the path of

a large tractor trailer. He was twenty years old.

What happened to that promise? What became of that possibility?

For Bobby, the journey was over with one desperate dive in the dark. For Mary, the journey had just begun. In the book *Prayers for Bobby*, journalist Leroy Aarons weaves the journeys of mother and son together in an incredibly moving, must-read book for all people interested in the transformation of tragedy into triumph.

Bobby's story is the tragic one. All he wanted was love, the love of his family and the love of a good man. "If I could have one thing in this world, anything, I would have a beautiful man to love me. Just to have a pretty man hug me and gently kiss me. . . I daydream that one day I'll be casually strolling through a store or a park and from out of nowhere will appear this dream man and our eyes will meet and we'll live happily ever after."

But his family turned their backs on him, loving him conditionally and never accepting his sexuality, and his dream man had yet to appear. He questioned the silence of God: "Dear God: Are you there? I ask because I really don't know. . . Sometimes I hurt so bad, and I'm scared and alone. I wonder why you or somebody doesn't help. I'm so mad and frustrated, I seem to be at the end of the road. Why do you remain silent?" He vented his self-hatred: "I am evil and wicked. I want to spit vulgarities at everyone I see. I am dirt, harmful bacterial grows inside me. . . I was innocent, trusting, loving. The world has raped me till my insides are shredding and bleeding. My voice is small and unheard, unnoticed. Damned."

He knew he was damned because his mother never missed an opportunity to tell him so. Her faith in God, she thought, was unshakable, and she was righteous in her condemnation

of her son's sexuality, going so far as to tell him, "Even the animals know who to do it with." But the death of her son, and the discovery of his journals shook the unshakable, and began Mary's transformation. She stopped going to church, and turned to the Bible to study its alleged passages against homosexuality. She too wrote letters to God in a journal, alternately questioning Him, chastising Him, and begging Him to provide her with understanding and answers. Over and over again she asked the question, "Why didn't God heal Bobby of his homosexuality?" Finally, she had her greatest insight, and she understood why God had not healed her son: "He had not healed Bobby because there was nothing wrong with him."

Mary was literally born again with this new knowledge. Though she would still gladly give her life to have Bobby back again, she became determined to make his death mean something. She became active in P-FLAG, went on public speaking engagements, started a Bobby Griffith Memorial Scholarship, and has allowed hers and Bobby's story to be told in numerous newspaper and magazine articles, in addition to a film and this book.

What is so ultimately moving about the book is not the tragedy of the story of Bobby's life and death, which is heart-breaking and painful to read, but the triumph of Mary's story of ignorance and hatred overcome, and compassion and humanity embraced. The promise of this story is the possibility of change. Two snapshot moments, years apart, speak a thousand words. When Mary once watched the Gay Pride Parade on television while her son was still alive, she saw it as a "decadent and carnal

secret ritual, a cabal somehow aligned with the satanic, condemned by her Bible and her church." When she saw the P-FLAG group walking by carrying a sign that read, "We love our gay children," she wondered aloud, "How can they do that? How can they support their kids being gay?"

Years later, after Bobby's death, Mary marched in that P-FLAG group during the gay parade, and she spotted a man in his late thirties crying quietly on the sidewalk. She went over to him, embraced him, and held him tight, saying nothing. "She returned to the line of march, greatly moved. That was the embrace she wished she had been able to give her own son. But there were tens of thousands still living who longed for such acknowledgment, many of them in suicidal despair. She now understood why she was there. She was there for all the Bobbys still living. There was no longer time to indulge feelings of guilt and remorse. There was work to be done."▼

SPIRITUAL JOURNEY

New projects expand MCC's message

Reaching their silver anniversary year, River City Metropolitan Community Church's Rev. Dr. Freda Smith shares, We've got to go into the streets, into the homes, into the bars, on television, on radio . . . we've got to do whatever it takes to get the message out that God does not condemn loving relationships between two people of the same sex!

Several new projects are helping to expand MCC's message...

Spiritual Journey Circles

Spiritual Journey Circles are in-home Bible study groups, held at the home of MCC members. The Circle leaders are well trained, and encourage anyone interested in studying the Bible to come. For those who work on Sunday, who live too far, or who are not yet ready to throw open the closet door, the group meetings in a home surrounding with just a few people might be an excellent way to begin.

Student Clergy Intern Terry Miller oversees the group and can be reached at 856-1446.

Metropolitan Community Center

MCC also recently qualified for funding from the Sacramento Valley Foothill Regional Consortium, which administers Ryan White Comprehensive Care Act funding in Sacramento and surrounding counties. With

those funds, they have opened Metropolitan Community Center, a case management and referral program for individuals with AIDS. Director of the program is Diane Feagins, 1722 J St., 442-2444.

MCC: Cable Ch. 17 and soon on Ch. 40

MCC has also been on Cable Channel 17 three times a week for several years, is also expanding its television ministry. As plans now exist, MCC will begin to be seen on FOX-40 sometime after the beginning of 1996. Camera operators, sound technicians, directors, and editors are working to be able to produce a quality television product.

Church services

Services are held every Sunday at 9am, 10:45am, and 6pm. Wednesday Bible study at 7pm, choir practices on Thursday at 7pm. The Church is located in what was the old Chapel One, just three blocks inside the main gate of Mather Air Force Base.

Musical November planned

Alto Deb Hardy, formerly with the group Vision, will be performing at the Church on Sunday, November 12. She is also going to teach some choral workshops during the following week.

Sunday, November 19, well-known musical evangelist Marsha Stevens will be singing at 9:45am, 11am and 6pm. Stevens, composer of *For Those Tears I Died*, hymn, has been performing at MCC's around the United States.▼

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by Jerry Semas
MGW/Staff

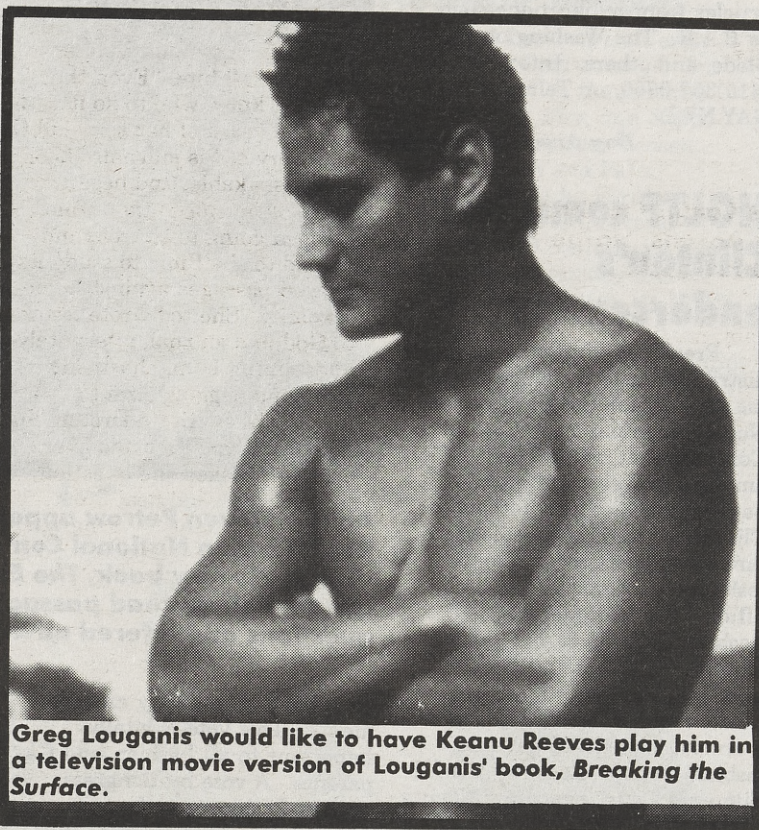
Oscar winner **Jodie Foster**, dons her directors cap for a second time with the Nov. 3rd release of *'Home for the Holidays'*. Using a title that could conjure sheer terror for most of us, the film stars Holly Hunter as a pressured single mom who journeys home to spend the holidays while visions of prozac dance in her head. **Robert Downey Jr.** plays her gay brother with other roles filled by **Anne Bancroft**, **Steve Guttenberg**, **Geraldine Chaplin** and **Dylan McDermott** (*Longtime Companion*). Jodie has signed to star in *Contact* as a radio astronomer who receives the first message from extraterrestrials. Could the message be something like "Hey girl! Everybody knows, including the mothership!" ▼▼▼

In director **Agnieszka Holland's** (*Europa, Europa*) latest film *'Total Eclipse'* (opening Nov. 3), heart-throb **Leonardo DiCaprio** plays gay poet **Arthur Rimbaud**. The film's 19th century setting focuses on Rimbaud's relationship with fellow French poet and mentor, **Paul Verlaine**, played by **David Thewlis**. DiCaprio will follow this performance with a modern updating of *Romeo & Juliet* starring opposite **Claire Danes** (*My So-Called Life*). ▼▼▼

The rock group *'Queen'* will release their next album, *'Made In Heaven'* on November 7

featuring the last song written by the late **Freddie Mercury**. The song is titled *'A Winter's Tale'* and is joined by another tune, called *'Mother Love'* which includes Mercury's final vocal track. ▼▼▼

Jonathan Pryce plays **Lytton Strachey**, an openly gay member of Britain's Bloomsbury literary group in *Carrington*, opening Nov. 10. Directed by **Christopher Hampton**, who replaced *'Four Weddings and a Funeral'* director **Mike Newell**, the movie features **Emma**



Greg Louganis would like to have Keanu Reeves play him in a television movie version of Louganis' book, *Breaking the Surface*.

Thompson as painter **Dora Carrington** who falls hopelessly in love with **Strachey**. **Pryce** (*Brazil*) won the best actor award at the Cannes Film Festival for this role. ▼▼▼

The motion picture version of **Truman Capote's** 1951 story *'The Grass Harp'* will be an early November release. **Roddy McDowall** stars with **Piper Laurie** (*Twin Peaks*), **Nell Carter**, **Jack Lemmon** and **Walter Matthau** whose son **Charles** directed. Screenwriter **Stirling Silliphant** came out of retirement to handle the script about a Southern eccentric who marries the sister of the richest woman in town. A remake of Capote's *'In Cold Blood'* as a mini-series is in the works at CBS. The network has already filmed a remake of **Tennessee Williams' 'A Streetcar Named Desire' for airing this season. ▼▼▼**

Keeping in mind the constant flux of television schedule changes, *'Star Trek: Deep Space Nine'* will soon be airing the first same-gender romance plot-line in the history of the *Star Trek* legacy. The

See How Many S's in Hollywood on pg. 16

FLASH

Gearing up for the holidays

November is one of my favorite times in Sacramento. Gear up for the holidays and share it with those dear ▼ Sample the **Rainbow Grill** inside the **Buffalo Club** soon. Veteran chef **Laura Hadzema** will make the experience an enjoyable one. Stop by early evenings Monday-Friday or for late evening delights on

Saturday. Stop by for Monday night football and take advantage of some great food specials. Believe me **Laura** is the best! ▼ In *walk* related news **Ted Ross** put together the **Tanqueray Team**. And once again, our team did quite well. (Details to come) ... In other scandalous news, **Dr. Scott Christensen** (SAF Board President) blatantly broke walk rules by veering into the street during the course of the march. He persisted in this dangerous habit even after several participants politely encouraged him to stay on the sidewalk. Scott is in court as we write, contesting his jaywalking ticket. It looks as though he has not a prayer. Let this be a lesson to all of us, no one is beyond the sidewalk ▼ Love is in the air at **Lambda**. **Bill Whiting**, co-organizer for the **Lambda Free Fair 1996** and **Robert Nelson**, **Lambda AIDS Project** supervisor are spending time together outside the **Lambda Center**! What do they say, just when you least expect it ... And in other **Lambda** news, **Chris McKillop** is also the co-organizer for the **Freedom Fair 1996**. Best wishes to all ▼ Happy November Birthdays to **Sacramento Frontrunner Walter Smith**, Happy Anniversary on Nov. 13 to **Mark Hoffman** and **Clayton** of **Sports Leisure Travel**, and on Nov. 20 Happy Anniversary to **Tina Costella** and **Rosemary Metrailler**!! ▼ **Dr. Carol Beatty** of **UCD** was featured on the front page of the *Sacramento Bee* Scene section on

Monday, October 20 talking about women and breast cancer. **Beatty** was also the doctor on front cover of *MGW* when *DGW* was born with publisher **Linda Birner** ▼ **Artisan Louis Barraza** put on a wonderful show at **Wellspring Women's Center** recently. Beautiful works with charcoal, watercolor and art glass made for an impressive showing. Music during the afternoon was provided by **Mary Slimko** on guitar and **Kathy McDonald** on keyboard ▼ The **Capitol AIDS**

Walk was a resounding success. The variety of walkers represented every "walk" of life. My honey and I shared the sidewalk with comrades from two years old to 80 years old. The entire day made us all feel good. The post-walk party at **America Live** in **Downtown Plaza** was also a success ▼ There's still time to purchase tickets for the **Lambda Players' Vampire Lesbians of Sodom** and **Sleeping Beauty** or **Coma** playing through November 11 t The **NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt** is offering helpful hint. Start your panel for the quilt at a sewing bee on November 18, 10-2pm. It all takes place at the **Pioneer**

Church, 27th and L streets ▼ The **Gay and Lesbian Film Festival** once again gave us all a great sense of "family". If you missed the three-day event,

shame on you ▼ Thanks for reading this brief ditty. Remember Christmas is seven weeks away. Stay happy **John** ▼

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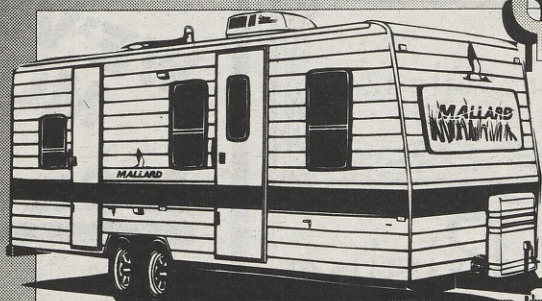
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NEWS CLIPS

By Anne Chambers
MGW Staff

Doctor's homophobia

Homophobic healthcare providers are a "health hazard" to gay and lesbian patients, according to a report presented recently at a meeting of the Gay and Lesbian Medical Association. Many surveys have been conducted which clearly show that medical practitioners exhibit disdain for their lesbian and gay patients. This homophobic behavior leads to gay and lesbian patients becoming alienated from the medical system, which can lead to more frequent incidence of disease and illness.

Modern Healthcare

Concerned women launch attack

The right wing group Concerned Women for America (CWA) has sent out a fundraising letter which attacks the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual History Month. 600,000 letters were mailed out as part of CWA's continuing attack on gay-inclusive curriculums. CWA is recommending the government stop funding the National Education Association (NEA) because at a meeting last year it supported History Month.

Bay Area Reporter

GAY.NET

A new online network is being offered to gay and lesbians

looking for an alternative to AOL. GAY.NET will provide subscribers with news, job announcements, counseling, a variety of forums, as well as articles from publications such as B.A.R., The Washington Blade, and others. Info: (415)357-0700, or Telnet to GAY.NET.

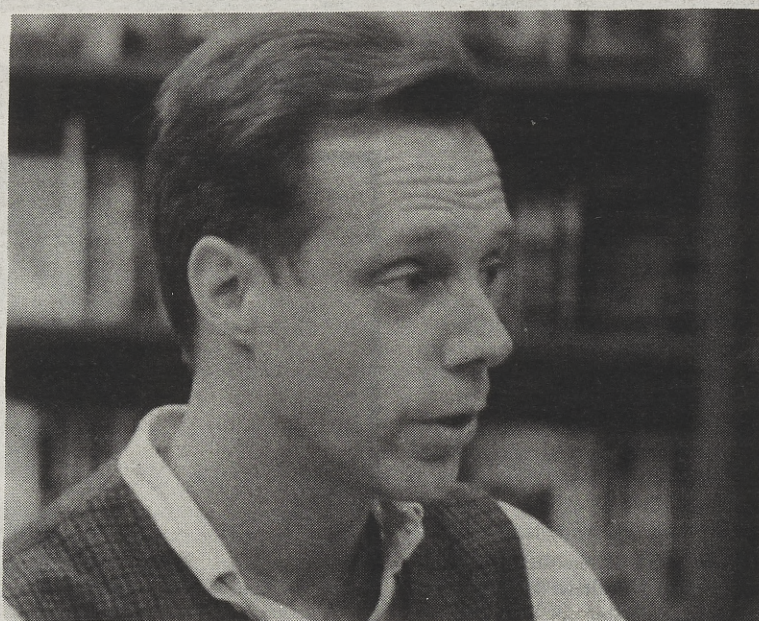
Bay Area Reporter

NGLTF commends Clinton's endorsement

President Clinton has distributed a letter announcing his support for the Employment Non-Discrimination Act, a bill in Congress that would ban employment discrimination based on sexual orientation. Clinton is the first president to directly support a gay and lesbian civil rights bill while in office. The National Gay Lesbian Task Force has issued a statement applauding the president's support of ENDA. Clinton's endorsement comes at a crucial moment in gay and lesbian history. Recently the US Supreme Court heard arguments concerning Colorado's Amendment 2 and soon the citizens of Maine will determine the fate of an anti-gay ballot initiative in their state.

Gay adoptions threatened in D.C.

The D.C. Appropriations Committee is expected to attempt to ban adoptions in their appropriations bill which is often



MGW/John Mounier

Author Steven Petrow appeared at Barnes and Noble Bookstore on National Coming Out Day (Oct. 11) to discuss his new book, *The Essential Book of Gay Etiquette*. Petrow read passages from his book, answered questions and offered advice to the audience.

the target of anti-Gay amendments. This vote is vitally important to all Lesbian and Gay parents. A vote by Congress against Lesbian and Gay adoption would probably result in similar bans being considered by other states.

Seattle Gay News

West Hollywood University Opens

A non-profit educational institution, the Stone and Steel Foundation which was established by longtime activist Jerry Hyde, and Bob Craig the publisher of *Frontiers* magazine, is opening a school for gay activists in West Hollywood. West Hollywood Open University will offer courses dealing with issues such as how to build new organizations, gay and lesbian politics, and how to deal with the media. Info: (213)650-9398.

Frontiers Magazine

Gay journalists face persecution worldwide

A report based on a survey conducted by a journalists' rights group, The Committee to Protect Journalists, has found that gay and lesbian journalists are subjected to censorship, arrest and persecution by governments worldwide. The report cites a Nicaraguan law passed in 1992 which states that anyone who "produces positive materials about gays and lesbians" will be jailed. The group issuing the report is hopeful that the findings will prompt the American news establishment to "...establish some kind of special focus in this area."

Frontiers Magazine

The Trellis Foundation Annual Dinner in Reno

Margie Adam, singer, songwriter and lesbian activist, will be the keynote speaker for Trellis Foundation Annual Dinner this year.

The Trellis Foundation is a nonprofit organization committed to supporting growth in the lesbian community. The foundation upholds this commitment by awarded scholarships, grants and loans to lesbians in five different categories: education, business, research, art and public affairs.

Emily Mast, president of the board of directors, said she is excited about having Adam for the speaker this year.

"Margie is well known in the lesbian and feminist community and she is a tremendous entertainer," Mast said. "We understand that she does a really fantastic job on these keynote addresses about feminism, lesbianism and music."

Since the mid-70s, Adam has been known to feminist and progressive audiences as a singer-songwriter of elegant love songs and inspiring songs of conscience. The 90s have guided her towards a different kind of performance, public speaking.

Her personal involvement as a feminist activist in the heart of the Women's and Human Rights movements with Gloria Steinem, Bonnie Raitt, Bella

Abzug and Lily Tomlin provides her with stimulating discourse and insight for audiences interested in both historical perspective and on-the-spot analysis.

"This night is to honor women who have made contributions to the lesbian community," Mast said. "We make awards to lesbians who are receiving scholarships or grants. This year we will also be giving a 'Friend of the Family' award to a non-lesbian woman who has shown support of lesbian women."

The event will take place at the National Automobile Museum, just two blocks from downtown Reno, on the corner of Lake and Mill Sts., November 3, 6:30pm. Pony Express Catering will prepare the evening's meal of Rainbow Salad, Grilled Chicken and Beef Tenderloin Teriyaki, California Rice and for dessert, Coconut Cake with Orange Sauce. Info: 702/324-6486.▼

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SOUND BITES

Music roundup

by Vicki T. Purslow
MGW/Staff

Tapestry revisited

Carole King's legendary 1971 release, *Tapestry*, has now been honored with a tribute cd. Although tribute recordings, such as *Common Threads: Songs of the Eagles*, and *Skynyrd Friends: Music of Lynrd Skynyrd*, are in abundance, it is very very unusual for an album to be subject of a tribute. *Tapestry Revisited: A Tribute to Carole King* is a great tribute, one of the best I can recall. Featuring Rod Stewart ("So Far Away"), Amy Grant ("It's Too Late"), Faith Hill ("Where You Lead"), and Celine Dion ("Natural Woman"), this release promises to be a smash. The Manhattan Transfer, Richard Marx, All-4-One, and the Bee Gees also contributed their talents to this effort.

Diana Ross is not higher

Diana Ross' *Take Me Higher* is sure to disappoint fans. The CD is very hyper techno-pop; every space is filled with some electronic sound. Great music has sound, but also has an absence of sound. This is simply too busy from start to finish. And one more thing: Gloria Gaynor already did a great job recording "I Will Survive." Who needs a bad remake?

Mom Rates It: No ▼s

Dare to love

Family favorite Jimmy Somerville has a new CD: *Dare to Love*. Jimmy may be best known for his work with the Communards, when he did a bunch of "gay" disco covers, including "Don't Leave Me This Way." Somerville offers a mix of upbeat pop dance tunes coupled with some more serious songs exploring gay issues, and says: "I've discovered what its like to be a part of a peer group that's

been touched by the grief and anger of AIDS, which has taken away several close friends. The new songs I've written deal with these very personal experiences of life, love, sex, and death."

Mom Rates It: ▼▼▼▼

Hip hop

Hip hop fans should check out the soundtrack for *The Show*, featuring Onyx, 2 Pac, Dr. Dre, Mary J. Blige, Snoop Doggy Dog, and A Tribe Called Quest. With its 27 tracks, *The Show* is a great value!

Mom Rates It: ▼▼▼

Inka myth?

Looking for a crisp horn sound combined with traditional reggae? Try Inka Inka's *Myth of the Machine*. This cutting edge band has played sell-out shows all across North American, and have opened for Steel Pulse, Jimmy Buffet, and Abraxas. Their music is filled with positive messages about contemporary issues such as racism, peace, and ecology. Of special

note is a great remake of War's "Why Can't We Be Friends."

Mom Rates It: ▼▼▼▼

Ferron

Once again, Canadian singer-songwriter Ferron has a new one on the Earthbeat label at Warner Brothers: *Phantom Center*. Ferron is definitely a 1990's Bob Dylan. Look for the Indigo Girls, Tori Amos, and Lauren Wood (writer of the title song from the movie *Pretty Woman*) who all provide guest vocals. This marks a departure for Ferron; the arrangements

are more lush and rich sounding. Nice work!

Mom Rates It: ▼▼▼▼

Holiday season

Yeah, I know its a bit early to be talking Christmas yet, but newly released on the Atlantic label is *Winter, Fire, and Snow: Songs for the Holiday Season*. Featuring Tuck and Patti, Phoebe Snow, Julia Fordham, Ottmar Liebert and several others, this CD contains all new non-traditional holiday music.

Mom Rates It: ▼▼▼

Mom's Rating Chart

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▼▼	How 'bout a Music Lesson?
▼▼▼	It Rocks and Rolls
▼▼▼▼	Too Hot to Handle

God Squad

The Sacramento based band The God Squad has just released its new CD, *Humanhead*. You may recognize this group from its performances at the Cattle Club. The God Squad has toured all of California and served as a opening act for Green Day. Give it a listen: they may be on to something.

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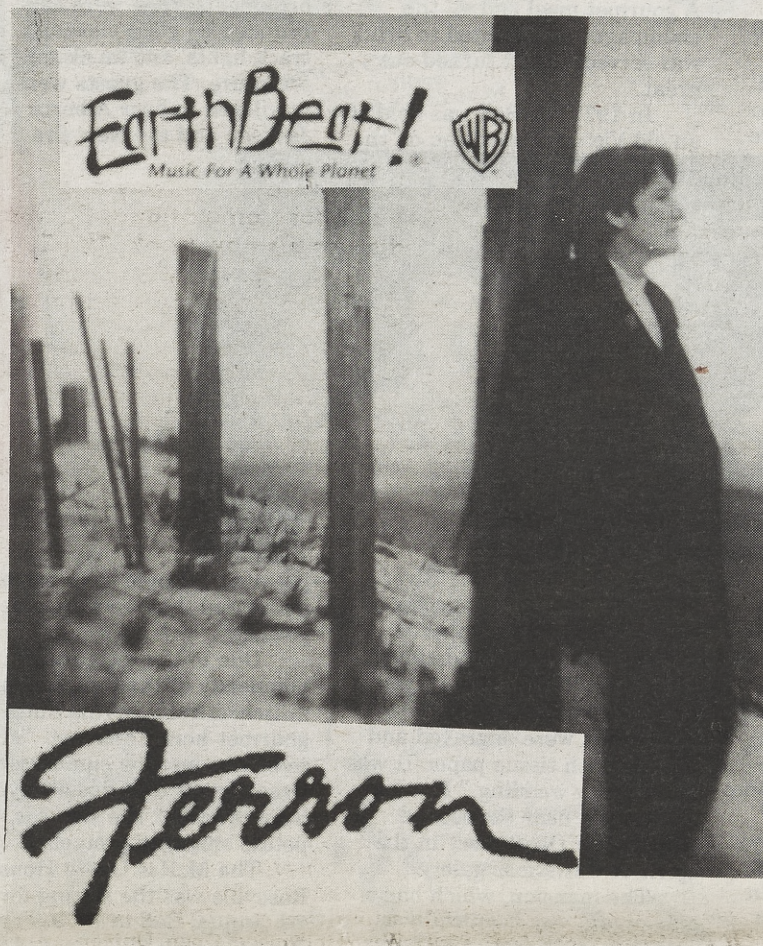
Remember *Chuck E.'s In Love?*, that cute tune by Rickie Lee Jones? Its back, and sadly, not better than ever. Jones has released *Naked Songs*, which has 14 songs from her past recordings. the songs have been re-recorded with Jones accompanying herself of piano or guitar. The arrangements are thin and lack direction. What a big disappointment.

Mom Rates It: ▼

Joyful collection

Jimmy Buffett's new project, *Margaritaville Cafe - New Orleans Late Night Gumbo*, is a joyful collection of some of Louisiana's best. The disk explores the blues influenced side of Cajun music and it does a great job. The artists featured include Waylon Thibodeaux, The Iguanas, Bluerunners, and Buffett himself. Pure fun.

Mom Rates It: ▼▼▼



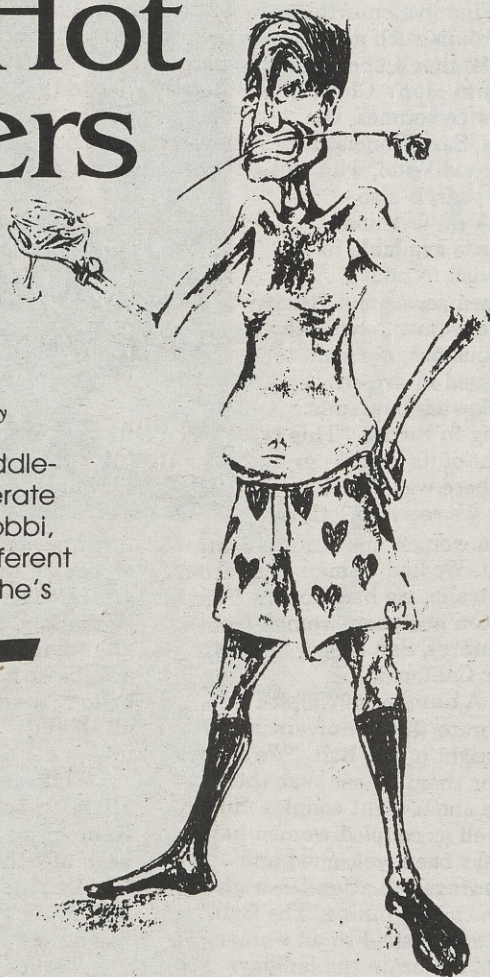
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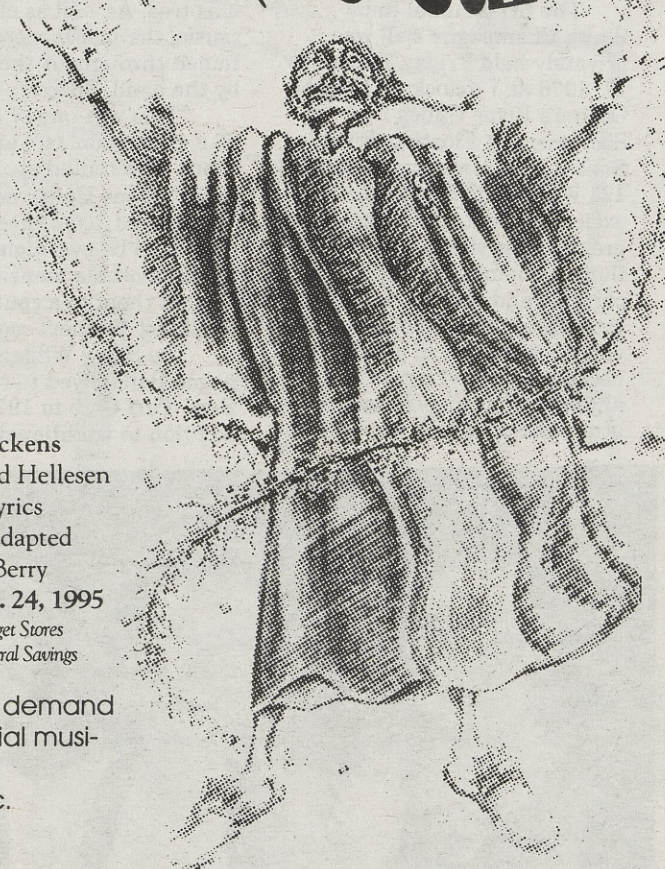
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HERstory...

The Snow White Champagne Ball

by Sheila K. Smith
MGW/Staff

It started off as a brainstorm, a vision to get all dressed up and go to a fancy party; it ended up as a real class act, a first of its kind women's event. In 1976 there wasn't anything like it in the world.

The Snow White Champagne Ball was founded in 1976 by Linda Birner, Zana Blazer, Judith Scott and Anna Jackard. "We thought it would be nice to have a nice party to go to where

A gourmet meal and all the champagne you wanted to drink was served. It just turned out great."

In 1977 the Ball was held at an old Victorian mansion on the

ornaments, they were surrounded by glass elevators, race track lights, and an elegant ice sculpture. The guests were privileged to hear Alberta Jackson and the New Era



you could get all dressed up," Birner reminisces. "Back then there wasn't anything especially very nice for women to do." The founding mothers wanted to capture the ambiance of a grand event such as the Crocker Art Gallery Black and White Ball — for lesbians. The biggest problem became reaching "all those closeted people." Basically, they went through their phone books and started calling their lesbian friends who called their lesbian friends. And the rest is HERstory...

Sacramento Delta, The River Mansion. Due to the success of the first Ball, the number of women who attended doubled. "It was invitation only, so you had to call to be invited. The invitations were engraved and layered with tissue paper. It was like a fancy wedding." It was, again, held near the second weekend in December "in the spirit of Christmas gaiety."

The mansion, which had a pipe organ, was beautifully decorated with festive balloons, poinsettias, and a huge Christ-

mas tree. As well as classical music, the guests were entertained throughout the evening by the band, Space.

perform. "People were extremely impressed that we were able to get her."

Due to the increasing popularity of the Ball, Linda switched from serving dinner to gourmet hors d'oeuvres. "The meal was just too cumbersome ... Great, great food has always been priority," she stresses, "no potato chips, no pretzels ..."

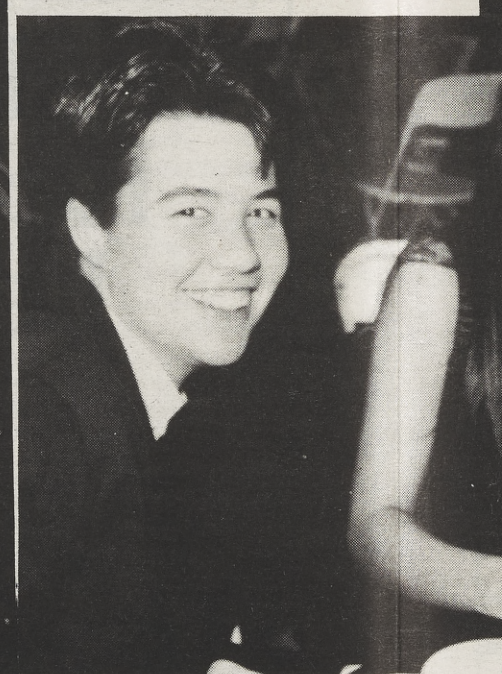
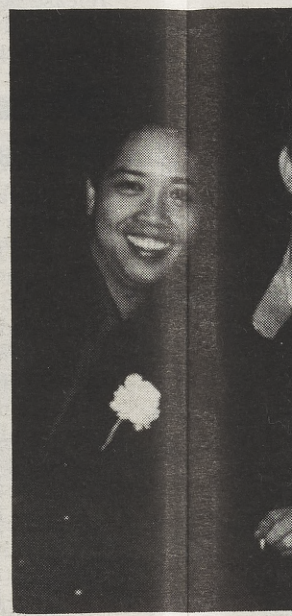
The McRae Opera House in Roseville was the setting for the 4th annual Ball in 1979. From there the gala affair moved in 1980 to the Victorian Mansion in downtown Sacramento where it was held for several years.

No matter where the Ball is held, several traditions are kept. The women always received engraved invitations, they are greeted at the door with live classical music, given champagne and a corsage, and formally introduced. Fine live entertainment from groups such as the Sacramento Women's chorus, the Sacramento Men's Chorus, The Fabulous Dyketones, the Moonlighters, San Francisco's Duece, to Second Wind, who will perform this year, is also paramount. A professional photographer is available to guests who wish to take a portrait of themselves and "their sweetie." The women, some who arrive in limousines, are semi to formally dressed in dresses, tuxedos, or flowing pantsuits.

According to Birner, "This is the first event of its kind — in the world. There was no other party like it. We received letters

from women all over the continent. We had women come from Australia, we had women from Boston one year; women from Monterey, San Diego, L.A., all over California."

A number of couples celebrate their anniversary on the night of the Ball. "We always honor them." Last year there were about eight couples. Single as well as coupled women have always been welcomed and encouraged to attend — right from the beginning. The Ball was established so all women could celebrate the holidays together in a "grand and formal setting." Straight women and mothers of lesbians are also invited. Linda who has been the Ball's organizer for almost two decades (the other three founders decided it was too much for them after the first couple of years!), adds that her mother always attends.



The crowd is a wide mixture of women throughout the greater Sacramento area. Joan Greenfield, professor, who began attending the Ball many years ago, looks forward to the annual holiday event. "It's great to see all those lovely lesbians dressed up."

"It's an elegant, lovely affair," proclaims Shirley Kammeyer, retired, who has been attending the Ball.

In 1988 the Ball was moved to Lincoln Plaza Atrium where it has been subsequently held.

Earlier this year the torch was passed on to Sandy Virago, Executive Director and Rosemary Mettrailer, Founder of SACWN, Sacramento Area Career Women's Network. Birner, who is also Publisher and Editor of *Mom Guess What Newspaper*, will now act as the Ball's consultant for a couple of years. "MGW is growing so fast.

need to be here more. It got really hard to put on this one person party. I didn't have a committee ... I had a lot of my men friends help with bartending, catering and a lot of the catering was donated by friends. All my friends would help clean up, but it just took its toll on my body. After a while I got to the point where I thought I don't think I can do this one more year. I'm tired for about a week afterwards." After discussing the details of Rosemary and Sandy's interest in throwing the big bash, she smiles, "I'm looking forward to having a good time. I'll be able to dance with my sweetie which I've never been able to do."

The 19th Annual Snow White Champagne Ball will be held Saturday, December 9 at 8 o'clock at the Lincoln Plaza Atrium. According to Sandy Virago, a total of 2,500 invita-



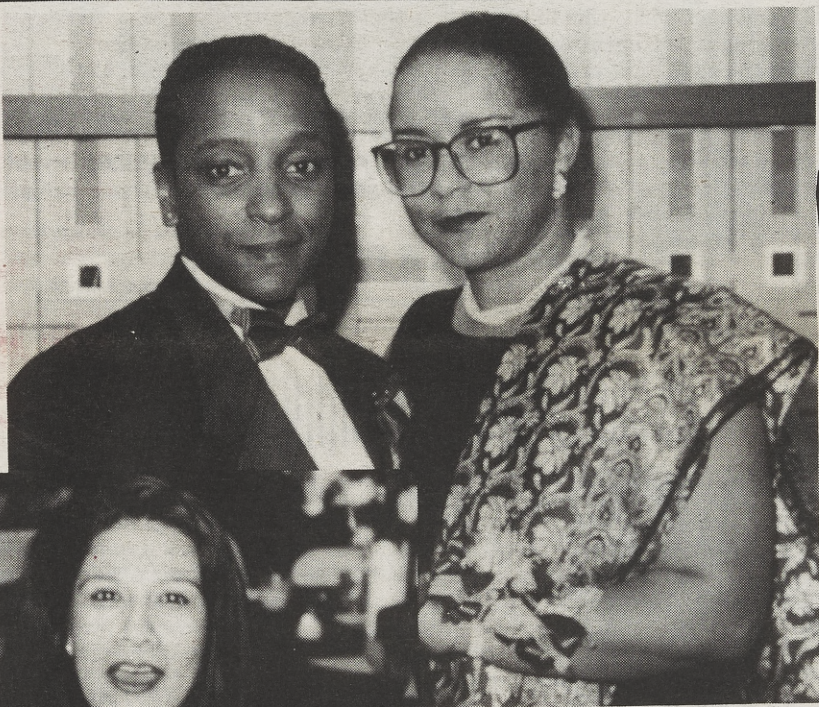
The first annual Snow White Champagne Ball was privately held Friday, December 17, 1976 at 7 o'clock on Marghe Covino's River Galley, Sacramento's Floating River Boat Restaurant. Approximately 125 women attended the exclusive event. Each guest was greeted by a violinist, given a flute of champagne and a corsage, and was formally introduced by the hostess. "The women were just in shock because they had never been to anything that nice. It was very atmospheric setting on the river.

mas tree. As well as classical music, the guests were entertained throughout the evening by the band, Space.

"This was one of the best. The extravaganza," exclaims Linda who rented spotlights that year. "It was Hollywood!" She also invited 100 of her special friends to be overnight guests at the memorable mansion and treated them to a continental breakfast the next morning.

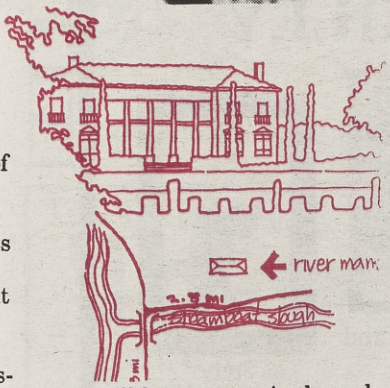


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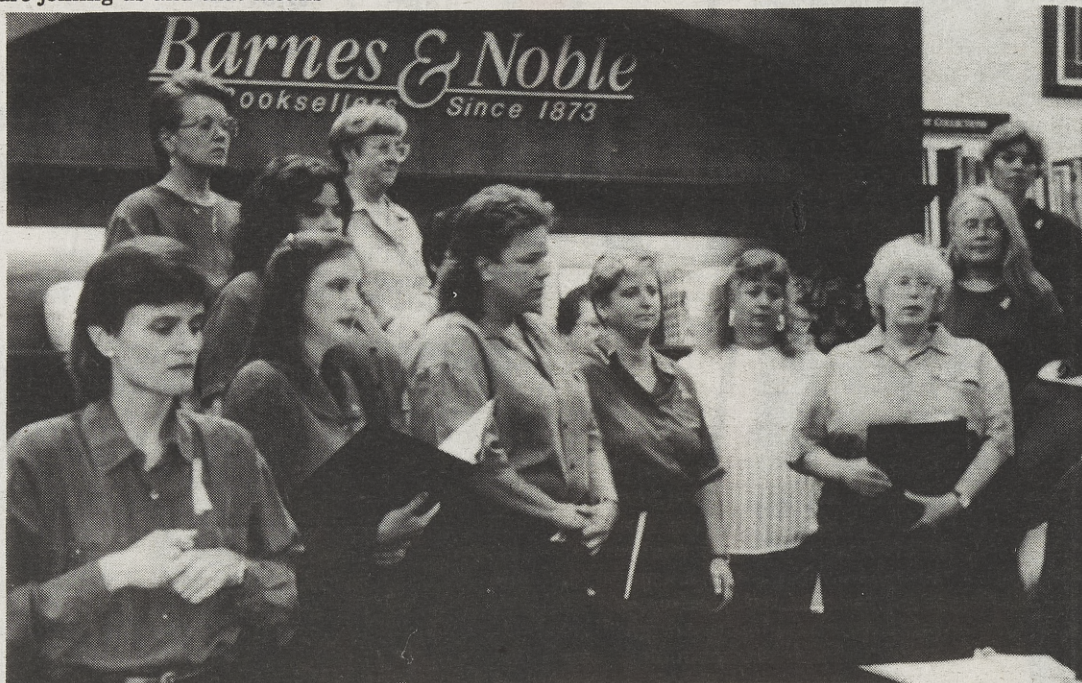
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Chorus performs with a voice for justice and self-respect

The Sacramento Women's Chorus will be performing their 6th Annual Winter concert, "Carols Old & New" on December 9 at the Pioneer Congregational Church, 27th and L Streets. "We're combining classics with fun, exploring historic carols and stretching it a bit," says Will Allen, "You know we can't sing without making a statement. Melody and the Matriarchs are joining us and that means serious humor."

The Sacramento Women's Chorus has been spreading the sound of power, compassion and freedom this fall. "We're a voice for women" says Director Mary WillAllen, "especially women in need of justice and self-respect. The women in this chorus are dedicated to a world of diversity. They work hard, and they relish the opportunities where they can share their passion for justice."

This fall they sadly turned down a record number of requests to sing because of scheduling limitations. But they snapped up the chance to sing at the Social Club of Pioneer Congregational Church, and to participate in the annual event, Take Back the Night, at the Capitol. "Even though we sing with a message, singing is not a one-way thing for us. It changes you to encounter a new audience," reflects WillAllen. "It's a new reason to share our lives, our voices, and our courage with them. I can't deliver a message as though I knew something someone else doesn't know. There's no connection in that attitude. To me these ideas we



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The Focus Project recently showed Pamela Coffey's breast cancer photo exhibit at Barnes and Noble Bookstore at Arden Fair. The Sacramento Women's Chorus performed during the exhibit. If you're interested in Focus call Frank Lawler 485-7960.

love are already universal, and the audience is celebrating these ideas with us, even if it comes as a surprise."

If audiences and events change the singers, one of the most moving experiences encountered by the Sacramento

Women's Chorus this fall was singing in the opening ceremony for the F.O.C.U.S. exhibit at Barnes and Noble Bookstore

October 23. "We sang our songs in a new light. They changed and we were richer for the experience," says WillAllen. The Women's Chorus sang gentle and powerful songs to an appreciative audience for the photographic project "Faces Of Cancer: Unveiling Shadows", Pamela Coffey's intense portraits of women surviving breast cancer. The F.O.C.U.S. Foundation was started here in Sacramento by Marghe Covino and Frank Lawler as a kind of "quilt for women." "It breaks the silence surrounding breast cancer and crystallizes images of the women whose lives have been changed by it, much the way the AIDS quilt has helped the public see the lives, the persons, they would never have known," says WillAllen, "We are pleased to be a part of getting the message out. The SWC has always been committed to giving voice to issues through music that is rich in the strength, hope and power of those who struggle with silence or oppression in their lives."

Tickets: The Gifted Gardener or at the door. Info: 424-4411. ▼

Romantic comedy opens at the Studio Theatre

The Studio Theatre at R & 10th St. is opening a romantic comedy, *It Had To Be You* written by Renee Taylor and Joe Bologna on Friday, November 10-December 17.

It Had To Be You has been described as something of a comic miracle ... a funny, funny and finally touching play. It is about a failed actress Theda Blau, who is a health food nut and would be playwright and wants to find love and success in New York and Vito Pignoli, a hugely successful TV commercial director. By holding him hostage in her apartment on a snowy Christmas eve, she gets nothing short of what can be described as a Christmas miracle. The journey is a delightful one.

This production is being directed by Sacramento theatre veteran Blair Leatherwood and features two Sacramento actors, Jacqueline Schutlz and Paul Bawek. Paul was most recently seen in The Studio Theatre's productions of *Falsies* and *Closer*

Than Ever and Jacqueline recently appeared in *Closer Than Ever*, *The Kathy and Mo Show* and *Jeffrey*. Info: 446-2668. ▼



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Jacqueline Schultz showing her wares to Paul Bawek in *It Had To Be You*.

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Puffs 'n' stuff

by Stefan Grünwedel
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Blue in the Face. Directed by Wayne Wang and Paul Auster. (89 minutes)

If you saw *Smoke*, the inspired film released earlier this summer by Wayne Wang, you will want to see *Blue in the Face*, shot in just six days just shortly after filming on *Smoke* ended, involving some of the characters in that previous film and their lives in the same Brooklyn cigar store. Unfortunately, you probably shouldn't bother, at least until the film comes out on video.

Ostensibly, *Blue in the Face* is a tribute to the citizens of Brooklyn. In between humorous

ably expected, the story of the making of *Blue in the Face* is more interesting than the actual

thankfully not in the same scenes), but in the end this tribute to Brooklyn doesn't develop into anything more interesting. It's a great companion piece to *Smoke*—watched either before or after it—but that film left town some months ago, so this one is a little late. In



Jared Harris, Michael J. Fox, and Giancarlo Esposito make their eclectic, improvisational performances in Wayne Wang and Paul Auster's *Blue in the Face*.

recitations of statistics about that borough by real Brooklynners is shown the life of cigar store keeper Auggie Wren (Harvey Keitel) and his interaction with his constant clients (Giancarlo Esposito and Jared Harris) and lady friends (Mel Gorham and Roseanne). Along the way, Michael J. Fox, Lily Tomlin, Ru Paul, and Madonna make cameo appearances, and Jim Jarmusch and Lou Reed wax philosophic about smoking for the last time and never leaving New York, respectively.

Contrary to what the filmmakers (and actors) prob-

film itself. Conceived during the rehearsal days for *Smoke*, this film began three days after filming on that film ended and took only a week to shoot, with all actors working for "scale." Every take lasted ten minutes and all lines were improvised on the spot. The actors, in other words, talked until they were "blue in the face."

The result is a bit of a jumble, though it's a fun and often very amusing jumble to watch unfold. Directors Wang and Auster do show some daring casting Roseanne and Madonna in the same film (though

other words, *Blue in the Face* is not really worth the separate price of admission.

Of course, for the price of a matinee, that may be a different story. *Blue in the Face* plays at the Tower Theater.▼

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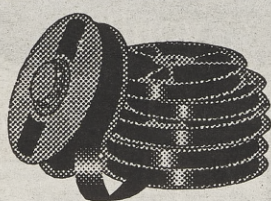
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Seasons of change...

Taking care during the change of seasons

by Lydia J. Frances, MSW
MGW/Staff

The time of year has come again when the days get shorter, the nights get longer. The wind blowing through the trees, leaves falling to the ground tell us fall is upon us. The earth's energy begins to slow down and cool down, creating less energy for us to draw upon for connection to the physical. The morning greets us with a coolness, and the evening leaves us with the same. In time, the briskness of each morning will be carried through the days. It is the time of harvest, the time to till the soil, preparing it for the time the winter rains will replenish the earth.

So it goes with our physical and emotional bodies as well. As the earth's energy begins to slow down, so go our bodies. Our bodies move with the rhythm of the earth — if we allow them to. To get an idea of what I mean watch cats. Cats are the masters at moving with the rhythm of the earth. During this time they eat more, sleep more, build up their fur to keep them warm, stay closer to home. They stretch and relax more. They listen to their bodies and move with what they implicitly know is needed.

Listening to your body

During this transition time, it is particularly important to pay close attention to the physical needs of your body, especially around nutrition. Your body will tell you what it needs to maintain its health. Do you gravitate towards nuts, grains, proteins, vegetables, fruits, meats, fish? Many people find that during the fall time it is particularly difficult to stay "grounded", meaning to stay connected to their physical bodies. This makes sense as their is less energy in the earth from which to draw. This time requires people to utilize their own internal grounding ability rather than relying on the energy of the earth to ground them. If you happen to be someone who finds it difficult to ground during this time, you

may find yourself drawn to those foods to help you in that way — meats, proteins, etc. The point is that your body will guide you to what foods you need — so listen.

If you are feeling the need to be more "grounded", it can also be helpful to bring your attention and awareness to your feet and legs. Simply moving the energy to this part of your body can assist you in coming into the physical.

This is also the cold and flu season. What can be helpful is taking in the herb echineacea. Echineacea can help maintain a balanced and healthy immune system to ward against the impending flu bug. Taken as hot tea, it can be very relaxing and nurturing as well.

Along those lines, when bathing or taking a shower, run cool water over your body just before finishing. This will close down the pores and help prevent vulnerability due to the cold.

Listen to your body's natural rhythm. Most people find that during this transition they may feel the need to sleep more as their bodies try to attune to the new earth energy. Try and accommodate your body's natural propensity towards sleep or awakeness.

Schedule down time. As the body is moving through this transition, more time may be needed to retune. This is ok. Maintain some level of

physical activity. Although you may feel the need to slow down, it is also important to keep the body moving and connected through regular activity. This regular activity can also be helpful in maintaining your "ground" as well as opening up your energy system if you are feeling lethargic and "depressed".

Tending to the emotional changes

This time of year can also be a time of emotional transition. Many people may experience "seasonal depression" during this time. My experience has been that this seasonal depression is a label for the symptoms that indicate disconnectedness from self and others. That is that the symptoms guide us to reconnect with ourselves. Many of the ways listed above can help us in this process. Here are some additional tips.

Listen to your "emotional body". Just as with the physical, your emotional center will guide you to what you need.

This is typically a time when people feel the need to go inward and tend internally to their emotional needs. You may find that it is helpful to schedule alone time to reconnect. This is different than isolation — it is consciously choosing to schedule time with the intent of internal connection.

Schedule something fun to do each day. Whether that is taking a walk in the park, having lunch with a friend, reading a good book — whatever brings you joy and gives you something to look forward to.

Along those same lines, schedule something really big to

look forward to at least once a month. Going away for a weekend, visiting friends out of town, going to a workshop or class, attending a retreat — whatever feels like something valuable to look forward to.

Move the energy — this can be through physical activity such as dancing, walking, swimming, yoga, etc. Or it can be moving it through contemplative silence in meditation. It may mean crying, yelling, or playing — any way to move the energy if you find you are "stuck".

Find things that nurture you and do them daily — taking a hot bath, spending time with a friend. Whatever gives you the sense of being nurtured.

Spend time in the light. Going outside to the light can help to open you to your own emotional lightness.

Preparing for the holidays

This time also happens to be the lead in to the holiday season, a time that can greatly affect your ability to care for yourself physically and emotionally. It may be important to begin now to watch your natural rhythm and begin the process of caring for yourself so that when the holidays arrive you will be prepared. And so, the next article will address taming those holidays — ways to continue to care for yourself in the midst of the family zoo!

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HOW MANY S's IN HOLLYWOOD?

from pg. 9

episode, titled 'Rejoined', will show the character of **Jadzia Dax**, a Trill having a reunion with an ex-flame who happens to be another female Trill. If you follow the series, a Trill is a humanoid host to a smaller alien creature which lives inside the host. The episode explains that a long time ago, Dax was the inhabitant of a male host who fell in love with Lenara, the occupant of a female host. You might call this a science fiction cop-out to explaining a potentially Lesbian relationship. ▼▼▼

Over at another sci-fi series, *Babylon 5*, telepath Talia Winters recently had a thinly disguised sleep-over with Susan Ivanova another of the show's female characters. 'Strawberry and Chocolate' co-writer **Gerardo Chijona** will direct 'Paradise Under the Stars', a \$2 million Cuban comedy shooting in Havana this winter. The story looks at mothers, daughters and lovers who get mixed up at the Tropicana nightclub. ▼▼▼

Though this may be the last season of 'Roseanne', the top rated ABC series continues to show positive Gay/Lesbian characters and story-lines. An

upcoming episode will feature the gay character of Leon, played by **Martin Mull**, having a commitment ceremony with another man. ▼▼▼

Greg Louganis has announced his desire to have **Keanu Reeves** play with him, I mean play him, in the television movie version of Louganis' autobiography 'Breaking the Surface'. If that ever came to pass, the network would probably call the movie 'Bill & Ted's Bitchin Backstroke'. Britain's 'Women's Own' magazine featured a recent interview with **Keanu**. In the article Reeves says that the thought of marriage gives him the heebie-jeebies adding "I have seen nothing to recommend marriage. The only woman I see regularly is my sister Kim." Yeah, right. Let's see him swear on a stack of *After Dark* magazines! ▼▼▼

Tony winner **Stephen Spinella** (*Angels in America*), riding the tail of success from his recent appearance in 'Virtuosity' will appear in **Paul Mazursky's** next film 'Faithful'. ▼▼▼

Fans of the movie 'The Incredible True Adventures of Two Girls in Love', will recognize Toby Poser as the newest cast member to join the Soap opera *The Guiding Light*. For some time now, viewers of the show have been treated to a new story angle which features actor **Frank Beaty** in drag. In a move that rivals the soaps reputations for resurrecting characters, Beaty's character of rapist **Brent Lawrence** returns and brings with him, his avenging alter ego, **Marian Crane**. ▼

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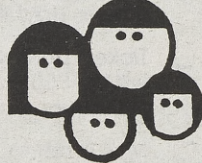
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Pet overpopulation ...

Still a reality!

by Joan B. Guertin
MGW/Staff

For a dose of reality a trip to an animal shelter can be a real eye opener. Those of us who go blindly through life thinking that all things manage to balance themselves out are not looking realistically at the pet overpopulation problems. Sacramento County Department of Animal Care and Regulation; City Animal Control and our local SPCA and breed rescues are all depositories for the lost and unwanted animals in our community and, they always have way too many animals than there are good homes available.

Why do people get rid of their pets? From calls that I get as a trainer, the major complaint lies in the inability to control that pet. Or, the pet develops bad habits that the owner neither understands nor has the patience to deal with, such as the destructive nature of puppies or the problems with housetraining. People seeking pets often have glamorous ideas about pets that, in the cold light of reality, seldom are the least bit glamorous. Often the pet is one that has been picked for all the wrong reasons. We buy the wrong dog for our family or lifestyle. Pets are obtained on whims and when they don't work out, they are disposed of just as easily. Then, of course, there is the simple fact that people obtain pets and neglect to spay and neuter and we have a new cycle of unwanted pregnancies and equally unwanted babies. I still pass houses in my neighborhood where there are all too many signs out for Free puppies or Free kittens.

One answer to the pet overpopulation problem lies in responsible spay and neuter of pet animals. Despite the misinformation regarding altered animals, they do not get fat as a result of altering. They get fat due to overfeeding and

bonus is that they will not present the family with those unwanted pregnancies that result in major problems. While puppies and kittens are darling when small, they grow rapidly and are soon a burden.

Many people obtain AKC registered animals with the idea of supplementing their income. Unfortunately, breeding purebred dogs is a real science and requires greater expertise than most people have or have time to acquire. The purebred or AKC registered dog is only as good as its pedigree and responsible, knowledgeable breeders have



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Thousands of Sacramentans pounded the pavement in the Capital AIDS Walk, October 8. Participants raised over \$135,000 for the Sacramento AIDS Foundation and CARES.

Lack of exercise. The reality is that unaltered pets are at greater risk of cancer than their altered cousins. You can extend the life span of a beloved pet by several years. An altered pet, due to lowered hormone levels will be a pet that stays closer to home and will be a more loving, even tempered pet. And, the big

taken the time to study genetics, screen their breeding stock for genetic problems and refuse to breed animals that are not physically or mentally sound. The average pet owner does not have this expertise. Too often I get dogs in class, particularly of the larger breeds, that have hip dysplasia. Too late the owner



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The pets brought in more money than their Dads and Moms!!!

realizes that the \$200 that they saved by buying from a novice breeder gave them a greater risk of problems and also gave them none of the guarantees that responsible breeders give with their puppies.

So, spread the word of the importance of spaying and neutering; and, if looking for a pet, look to a responsible, knowledgeable breeder and don't buy on an impulse. Remember, a pet is for life. And don't forget all of the wonderful pets available through our local shelters and breed rescue organizations. The perfect pet may already be there, just waiting for you.

For more information on how to go about selecting a puppy or older dog and information on specific breeds, visit Sunrise Mall on Sunday, November 5 from 10am to 6pm for the

Breed Showcase sponsored by The Sacramento Council of Dog Clubs. Experts will be on hand to answer questions and offer hands on opportunities to get to know different breeds. Don't miss this opportunity. Info: call a Council Representative at 485 3527.

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On the HIV front...

by Sonya Cox
AIDS/HIV Editor

Flu and cold season...

Time to get your flu shot, and very important to do so this year — there are three nasty strains heading our way. Shots are available at your local clinics, as well as many other venues. In advanced stages of AIDS, check with your physician to see if you should be introducing influenza agents to your body at this point in your health care. Use extra common sense as you head into the winter colds and flu season. Colds are spread most commonly from hand to hand, so wash your hands frequently, especially if you're around another person with a cold or around young children. You're more likely to get ill in an over-heated building that dries mucus membranes, with human contact in close quarters, than being outside in chilly weather. Colds are caused by viruses, which do not respond to antibiotic drugs, and there is no cure for the common cold — they must simply run their course. The jury is still out on whether or not increased doses of Vitamin C can help keep you cold-free, but many physicians feel it does at least lessen the severity of a cold. Taking 500 to 1,000 mgs. of Vitamin C three times a day once you feel a cold coming on may be an average rule to follow, but if you're HIV



Courtesy/Dave Jarman

AIDS Walk received \$135,000 in pledges that will be collected in coming weeks. The proceeds go to the Center for AIDS Research, Education and Services (CARES) and the Sacramento AIDS Foundation (SAF). On Sunday, October 8, 1900 walkers participated along with Assemblywoman Jackie Speier and Sacramento County Supervisor Roger Dickinson. Nearly 250 volunteers helped with this year's theme, "With Heart and Sole". The Walk ended at America LIVE! where a buffet lunch was served, and entertainment was provided by a local band, Lawsuit. The NAMES Project had a display of the Memorial Quilt as well as merchandise for sale.

positive, check with your physician early on so you'll be ready with the best defense for your own situation. In the case of both flu and colds, drink lots of water. Let your physician know if you get a high fever (approximately 102 degrees, depending on your health status), if you get pain in the sinus area (across your face) or in your ears, if nasal discharge is thick or discolored, or if you

have shortness of breath or chest pain. These symptoms may indicate a secondary bacterial infection, and antibiotics can help.▼

Mommy has AIDS

A Wisconsin mom and her 8-year-old daughter Brandy have developed an audio-cassette and story/coloring book to help kids with a parent who has AIDS work through the multitude of

feelings they must deal with. The set is available for \$16.50 from the Brandy Harris Trust Fund, Box 9511, Madison, WI 53713. ▼

NAMES Project Quilt info...

* Upcoming sewing bees to make Quilt panels for those lost to AIDS will be Wed Nov 1 6-8pm, and Sat Nov 18, 10 am to 2 pm, at Pioneer Church, 27th and L. There are no sewing bees scheduled during the month of December. For additional info on panelmaking, or sewing workshops, call 484-5646.

* Quilt expected to be available for display for World

AIDS Day in Sacramento (December 1) includes panel Nos. 7, 95, 168, 180, 272, 721, 885, 892, 894-895, 897-900, 902, 906, 1108, 1195, 1200, 1203, 1287, 1474-1475, 3086, 3367, 3418, and 3481. These include the panels of Sacramentans Eric Anderson, Tim "Cheech" Cicinato, Frank Cook, Glenn Cooper, Richard Crane, Harold Fuller, Francis Giambroni, Amador Gonzalez, Ron Koslow, Scott Oatman, Michael Olson, Michael Vera, Mark Weinzimer, and Ricky Wilson. Call Sacramento NAMES Chapter at 484-5646 for more specific info.

* Quilt will also be displayed Nov 16-18 at Holy Names College, 3500 Mountain Blvd., in Oakland. Info: Sharon at 510-436-1081.▼

New CMV drug...

Gilead Sciences has submitted to the FDA a New Drug application for Vistide (cidofovir intravenous) to treat CMV retinitis. The application will include data from two controlled clinical studies.▼

Magic hitting snags...

Immigration officials in the Philippines have told former LA Lakers player Magic Johnson that he must obtain a permit before entering their country to play in an exhibition series because he has a "contagious disease." Previously in the tour, Magic hit a similar snag when attempting to visit Taiwan.▼

Passing...

Our thoughts are with landscape designer David Yakish on the passing in October of his long-time love Peter Schwehn, who was instrumental in the creation of Avalon House. A remembrance will be in the next issue of MGW.▼

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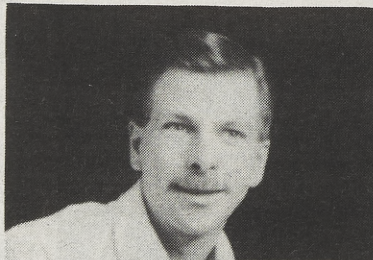


Lloyd E. Steiner

Lloyd attended school in McKinleyville and graduated from McKinleyville High in 1974. Lloyd was a resident of Sacramento for 14 years and returned to Humboldt County for the last six weeks of his life.

All who knew Lloyd adored him for his kind heart and his compassion and concern for other people. He had the ability to look at life through rose colored glasses with a smile on his face, even when things seemed pretty dim. His blue eyes and positive outlook on life will be remembered by all of his family and friends.

A memorial gathering was held in his "piece of paradise" at the home of Linda and Harry Carlson outside Eureka.▼



John Mark Vincent

John Mark Vincent, born September 18, 1950, ended his struggle with AIDS on July 5, 1995.

Sometime in the near future, our family will scatter Mark's ashes into the sea at Inverness.

The stage bloomed into a major part of his life. He took up dancing at five and studied until he was 20. If someone was in trouble, you knew Mark was behind it. He was the magical child who couldn't sit still, the cliff climber, the risk taker, the one who could make our mother's heart stop — a practice he never fully relinquished.

Yet when trouble hit our family, and the idyllic years were gone, when we no longer had a life that included Inverness, I already knew that elemental core of Mark. It created a trust that lasted through the bad times, the fiery '60s and morose '70s, his recapturing life and dignity in the '80s.

Somewhere along the way he'd metamorphosed from an awe inspiring older brother into a good friend. He was my elf in boy's clothing, my boy in a man's world, and my man of great heart. Yes, he was irritating and stubborn and heart-breakingly vulnerable. Yet if he sometimes fooled himself, he had that jester's knack of never letting you be fooled.

Finally, I suppose, everyone has their own memories of Mark, their own take on just who he was, but here's my take:

If you saw him dancing in a club at night, then you saw a glimpse of who I knew as the child charmer. If he called you too late to talk for an hour, allowing you to say anything and everything and saying anything and everything in return, then you saw my friend. And if he told you his old stories and learned some of yours in return, if he made you laugh and cry and tear out your hair in exasperation, then finally take another look at yourself, why, you had a brother, too.

Surviving Mark are his mother, Betty Farley, his sister Zu, his brothers Greg and Brad, his nieces Kiara, Aubrie, Desiree and Alex and his beloved dog Sassy.

— Submitted by Zu Vincent

John Villon

John, a Filipino-American and former San Franciscan, died on August 8 at his South Sacramento home. He was born in Maui, Hawaii and served in the U.S. Air Force. After graduating from San Francisco State, he worked as a staff assistant at Pacific Bell for 17 years. He was a long-term survivor of HIV since the early 1980s. His dear friend Peter died on March 12 in Seattle. Donations in John's memory can be sent to Hospice Care of Sacramento, or the Sacramento AIDS Foundation. Aloha oe, Johnny. Love, Edgar and Rodney.▼

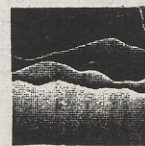


Timothy Joseph Cicinato
"Cheech"

Cheech, education director of the Sacramento Chapter of the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt, devoted the past six years of his life to educating thousands of students in area classrooms. A pioneer of "Kids Day at the Quilt," in which hundreds of local students have learned about, and visited local Quilt displays, Cheech was recognized prior to his death by President Clinton who wrote, "Your compassion and commitment will be long remembered, and I am confident your work will save countless lives in the years to come. You can be proud of your contributions to bringing about a safer and healthier world." He loved singing with the Sacramento Men's Chorus, and was devoted to his family and friends. He will be missed.▼

Larry Dean Jick

Larry quietly passed in his sleep on August 28 while hospitalized. He was not sick with AIDS or a related opportunistic disease due to AIDS. He is survived by his lover of 13 years Fred Rickman, and was 33 years old at the time of his passing.



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The Sacramento County Department of Health and Human Services' HIV Prevention Plan Working Group will be holding a Community Forum on November 9, 1995 from 6:30-9:00pm at the UCD Medical Center, Patient Services and Support Building, Room G-0300, 4150 "V" Street. Invited presenters will make statements on coordination of HIV prevention services. Community members are invited to comment on the presentations and on HIV prevention priorities for the County. Info call 366-2922.

OUR FAMILY VALUES

Teaching kids about *our* family values

By Anne Chambers
MGW/Parenting Editor

A bibliography of children's books by Eileen Durgin-Clinchard, Ph.D., PFLAG No. Plains Regional director

This is the second part of a three-part series of children's book reviews.

Elwin, R. & Paulse, M. (1990) *Asha's Mums*, Toronto, Canada: Women's Press (\$5.95).

Asha's main concern is going on a field trip which she almost misses because the teacher wants the permission slip filled out 'the right way'. Classmates tease Asha and the teacher then must deal with all the different family configurations that the children tell about. (6-10 yrs.) ISBN# 0-88961-143-2.▼

Newman, Leslea (1989) *Heather Has Two Mommies*, Northampton, MA: In Other Words (\$7.95).

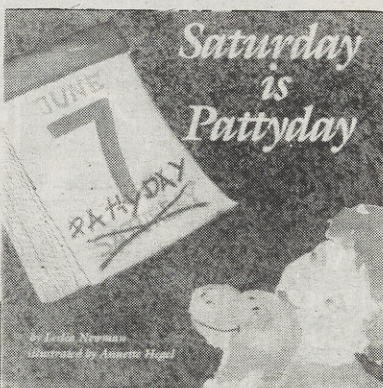
A valuable feature of this book is how the teacher deals with a potentially sensitive family issue with her class of young children. Line drawings and simple language tell of Heather growing to preschool age and beginning to question why she has two Mommies (artificial insemination) and other children don't. (3-8 yrs.) ISBN# 155583180X.▼

Hardy Boys and Nancy Drew of the '90s

"Pride Pack," the first gay-themed young adult series, will be available in bookstores this fall. Alyson Publications publishes the series which details the adventures of a group of teenagers who become acquainted at a local gay and lesbian center, and become drawn into mysterious events in their community. The teenage characters are either gay themselves, or have gay parents, and have to rely on each other when their concerns are not taken seriously by the authorities. *Who Framed Lorenzo Garcia?*, the first book in the series, tells the story of the Pride Pack's efforts to help Ramon whose foster father, gay cop Lorenzo Garcia, is framed for a crime he didn't commit. In *The Case of the Missing Mother*, Maia, one of Rebecca's moms, mysteriously disappears following a public argument with a local, anti-gay preacher. Info: Christine Sanni (617)542-5679.▼

Newman, Leslea (1991) *Belinda's Bouquet*, Boston: Alyson Publications, Inc. (\$6.95).

This delightful little book has several messages. Yes, there are two Mommies, an alternative family. The focus is Belinda's difference as a 'fat' child. Her Mama provides loving support when Belinda is teased. Another subtle message is the depiction of a positive boy/girl friendship. (4-8yrs.). ISBN# 1-55583-154-0.▼



Newman, Leslea (1993) *Saturday is Pattyday*, Norwich, VT: New Victoria Publishers, Inc. (\$6.95).

Just as a divorce is confusing to young children who travel back and forth between biological parents, so too is the breaking of a gay or lesbian union which has fostered a child. This story deals with this issue at a child's eye level and opens the door for discussion and validation of a child's feelings. ISBN# 0-934678-51.▼

Severance, Jane (1993) *Lots of Mommies*, Chapel Hill, NC, Lollipop Power.

Lots of Mommies are unusual but turn out to be wonderful for a little girl just starting kindergarten. Enchanting for younger children, discussion starter on roles for older youth. (3-8yrs.) ISBN# 0-914996-24-X.▼

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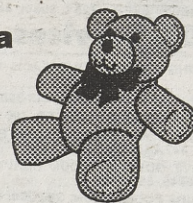
Severance, Jane (1979) *When Megan Went Away*, Chapel Hill, NC, Lollipop Power (\$9.95).

Megan's mother's special friend leaves and Megan is affected by the separation just as a child is affected by divorce. (3-8yrs.) ISBN# 0-914996-22-3.▼

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The sixth annual San Francisco Bay Area Book Festival features a weekend of authors, reading, and panels of interest to the gay/lesbian/bisexual community, November 4-5. Participants include Dorothy Allison, Tommi Avicolli Mecca, Lucy Jane Bledsoe, Susie Bright, Pat Califia, Michael Denneny, Mark Doty, Karla Jay, Will Leber, Lyle Leverich, Cherrie Moraga, Marcia Munson, Elizabeth Pincus, Adrienne Rich, Paula Ross, Michael Rowe, Steve Saylor, Darieck Scott, Jean Taylor, Randy Turoff, Urvashi Vaid, Norman Wong, and Karen Wickre.

The Festival is held at the Concourse Exhibition Center, 635 8th St., San Francisco, from 10am-6pm both days.

Gay/lesbian panels at the Festival include "Queer Writing: Above and Below the Belt" (Saturday, 11am), with Dorothy Allison, Pat Califia, Will Leber, Michael Rowe, Steve Saylor, and Norman Wong; and "Dyke Life" (Sunday, 3:30pm), with Lucy Jane Bledsoe, Karla Jay, Marcia Munson, Elizabeth Pincus, Paula Ross, and Randy Turoff.

On Saturday mega-editor Michael Denneny (Crown Publishing, formerly St. Martin's Press) advised "How to Get Published," in a for-pay professional panel with East and West Coast experts at 11am. Digital Queers cofounder Karen Wickre de-mystifies the Internet in "Aether Madness," at 11am in the Internet Salon. Sexpert Susie Bright joins a panel on "Women, Sex & Desire," at 1:45pm. Activists Urvashi Vaid and Tommi Avicolli Mecca discuss *Virtual Equality*, Urvashi's new book, at 3pm. Acclaimed poet Mark Doty will read from *Atlantis* in the Poetry Showcase at 4:30pm.

Elinor Burkett, an AIDS reporter for the *Miami Herald*, and Dr. Charles Garfield, founder of Shanti, will discuss "The Gravest Show on Earth:

America in the Age of AIDS," named after Burkett's controversial book, at 12:30pm on Saturday. Sunday poet Adrienne Rich will read on the Main Stage at 12noon. New novelist Darieck Scott reads from *Traitor to the Race*, about an interracial romance, at 11:45am in the *Fiction Showcase*. Cherrie Moraga is a panelist on "Daughters of the Fifth Sun: Latina Poetry and Fiction," at 1:45pm in the *Poetry and Fiction Showcase*. Seal Press author Jean Taylor (*We Know Where You Live*) joins Kate Wilhelm and others for

"Not the Usual Suspects: Voices in Mystery Fiction," at 1:45pm in the Don Carpenter Room. "The Unknown Tennessee Williams" is the subject of a conversation between the playwright's biographer Lyle Leverich and publisher William Abrahams at 2:30pm in the Stegner Room.▼

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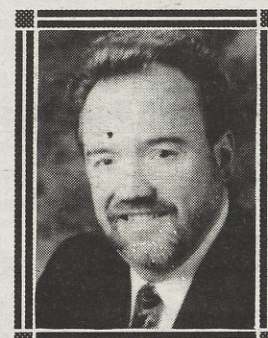
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1 WEDNESDAY

HIV+ EMOTIONAL SUPPORT GROUP, Buhler Bldg, 2800 L St., 7:30pm, 446-3734, 386-2504.

20 SOMETHINGS Social/Rap Group, Lambda Center, 7pm, 442-0185.

MCC BIBLE STUDY, Cathedral of Promise Social Hall, 7pm.

FRONTRUNNERS, McKinley Park 6:30pm.

NANCY KARP + DANCERS "Kristallnacht," 8pm, Theater Artaud, 450 Florida St., San Francisco, 415/252-5900.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURES Potluck meeting, everyone welcome, 7pm, 421-6209.

UCD PRESENTS LANDMARK SERIES, Mark Morris Dance Group, 8pm, Sacramento Community Center Theatre, 752-1915.

2 THURSDAY

TURTLE ISLAND, emergence of 63 acre lifestyle development, South Placer County, 10am, 786-6666.

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COOKING CLASS "A Soup for All Seasons" 6-8:30pm, Williams of Sonoma, The Pavilions, 441-3439.

3 FRIDAY

SSPCA FALL PAPERBACK BOOKSALE, Sam's Club Parking Lot, 3360 El Camino Ave. @ Watt, 383-PETS.

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SACRAMENTO SYMPHONY CLASSICS A celebration of American Music, Geoffrey Simon, conductor, Rascher Saxophone Quartet, Sacramento Symphony Chorus, 8pm, Community Center Theatre, 264-5181.

4 SATURDAY

DYKES OUT TOGETHER Potluck & movies, 5:30pm, 927-6038.

JALLEN RIX CONCERT Guerneville Comm. Church, 11450 Armstrong Woods Rd., Guerneville, 5pm potluck dinner, 707/869-0552.

HOLLYWOOD IN THE HILLS Benefit for El Dorado Women's Center, 5:30pm, \$25, 626-1450.

JOAN JETT BLAKK Josie's Cabaret & Juice Joint, midnight, 3583 16th St., San Francisco, 415/861-7933.

MELONNEE DESIREE & THE PROMISES, CD release performance, Virgin Megastore, 1715 Arden Wy., 4-6pm.

HARVEST CELEBRATION, Old Sacramento, 558-3912.

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ANTIQUE & COLLECTORS' FAIR, Cal Expo, 10am-5pm, \$4.

MASTER CALENDAR

MGW Newspaper's 19th Anniversary, 441-6397 November
World AIDS Awareness Day/A Day Without Art December 1
Let The Miracles Begin December 3
Snow White Champagne Ball for Women December 9
New Year's Eve with the Lambda Players 442-7752 December 31
CAPPAC Annual Dinner June 1, 1996
Lambda G/L/B Freedom Fair, 442-0185 June 8, 1996
National Coming Out Day, 800-866-6263 Oct 11, 1996

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GALLERIES

Archival Framing Gallery, Kellie Kolensky, thru Nov 29, reception: Nov. 11, 7pm; D.R. Wagner and Nancy Gotthart, Nov. 28 - Dec 23, 1729 L St., 444-9624.

African-American Art Gallery, Featuring Haitian artists and Accra, Ghana West African Artists, 3449 Watt Ave., 485-4316.

Angelika's Fine Art Studio, "Faces, Places & Things I" by Barbetta, Nov. 10-30, appt. only, reception: Nov. 10, 6pm, 1518 17th St., 553-2665.

Artists Studio Gallery, Larry Love ceramics, Brigitta McCarthy oil on canvas, Roberta Walker water colors on wood thru Nov. 4; Women of Art, Nov. 8-Dec. 2, reception: Nov. 9, 6pm, 1723 L St., 441-1286.

Barbetta's Beads, "Faces, Places & Things II" by Barbetta, Nov. 11-30, reception: Nov. 11, 6pm, 2316 J St., 443-4959.

Big Art, Davis MFA Faculty and students from The Short Center North, thru Nov 3; Large format nudes from Spike, new works from Jason Merck Nov. 7-Dec. 1, reception: Nov. 11, 7pm; 1928 L St., 446-2740.

Blooming Art, "The Masks We Wear" thru Nov. 4, 6pm, 1901 Capitol Ave., 442-3800.

Calif. Palace of The Legion of Honor, Grand Reopening Nov. 11, 10am-4pm, Celebration Nov. 12, 10am-4pm; "Picasso The Sculptor", Nov. 11-March 10, 1996; "The Treasures of the Achenbach Foundation for Graphic Arts", Nov. 11-March 3, 1996; 34th Ave. & Clement St., San Francisco, 415/863-3330.

Crocker Art Museum, The Supernatural and Fantastic in German Drawings, thru Nov. 5; Malaguas Montoya: Prints and Drawings, Nov. 10-Jan. 21, 1996, walkthrough with artist: Nov. 10, 5:30pm; reception to follow: Western Artists/African Art, thru Dec 31, 216 O St., 264-7372.

Madu Madu Merchandising, "Here's Looking At You" Madu Madu, Rose Britt Hugh, Nov. 11, 6pm, 2315 J St., 444-6660.



UC Davis Presents Philip Glass — La Belle et la Bete, November 7, Freeborn Hall, UC Davis.

S.F. BAY AREA BOOK FESTIVAL, Concourse Exhibition Center, 8th & Brannan Sts., San Francisco, 10am-6pm, \$2, 415/861-BOOK.

EAGLES WALKING, Sarti's, Jibbom St., 10am, 991-2420.

FRONTRUNNERS, Guy West Bridge, 9am.

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HEART OF THE WEST Women's dance and music, Las Vegas, 1-800-634-6713.

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UCD PRESENTS Concert Series, Sarah Chang, violin, 7pm lecture, 8pm concert, Freeborn Hall, UCD, 752-1915.

5 SUNDAY

DYKES OUT TOGETHER Bike ride, 756-8476.

FOURPLAY with guest Vesta, Edgewater Ballroom, Radisson Hotel, 7:30pm, \$23.50, 923-BASS.

DIFFERENT SPOKES Meet @ McKinley Park, 10am, 962-7434.

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MCC, Worship service, 9:45am, 11am, 6pm.

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6 MONDAY

MCC EAGLES NEST The 12 Steps, 6pm, 1722 J St., #8.

EAGLES support group, 7pm, 991-2420.

LAMBDA PLAYERS AUDITIONS *Homo For The Holidays*, 7pm, Lambda Center, 927-7407.

FRONTRUNNERS, CSUS track, 6:30pm.

WOMEN'S CHORUS Rehearsal, new members welcome! 6:30-8:30pm, 424-4411.

7 TUESDAY

CITY COUNCIL COMES TO NORTHGATE BLVD., Smythe Elementary School, 2781 Northgate Blvd., 6:30pm.

LAMBDA PLAYERS AUDITIONS *Homo For The Holidays*, 7pm, Lambda Center, 927-7407.

UCD PRESENTS Worldstage Series, Phillip Glass, *La Belle et la Bete*, 8pm, Freeborn Hall, UCD, 752-1915.

8 WEDNESDAY

MCCY'S DOWNTOWN SACRAMENTO Benefit Shopping Day, 10am-9pm, \$10 includes discounts on many items.

WOMEN FOR ORTIZ '96 Reception, 5:30pm, 1700 L St., \$50/person, 736-0409.

SACRAMENTO SYMPHONY, Mocha and Mozart, 7:30pm, Crest Theatre, 1013 K St., \$17.50, 923-BASS.

20 SOMETHINGS Social/Rap Group, Lambda Center, 7pm, 442-0185.

EAGLES game night, Lambda Center, 6:30pm.

MCC BIBLE STUDY, Cathedral of Promise Social Hall, 7pm.

FRONTRUNNERS, McKinley Park 6:30pm.

BASS TOURNAMENT, Old Sacramento, Events Hotline, 558-3912.

9 THURSDAY

CAMPING WOMEN Veterans Day Campout, Morro Bay State Park, thru Nov. 12, 209/897-2852.

COMMUNITY FORUM "Improving County-wide Coordination of HIV Prevention Services", 6:30pm, UCD Patient Services/Support Bldg., #G-0300, 4150 V St., 366-2922.

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10 FRIDAY

GINA LIVINGSTON Mad Dog Cafe, 5140 Folsom, 7pm.

"DON'T DATE ME BECAUSE I'M BEAUTIFUL" Dating Made Easy, with Supv. Tom Ammann, Terence Smith, Wendy York, 7pm, Fort Mason, #C-125, San Francisco, \$10, 415/522-7200.

MELONNEE DESIREE & THE PROMISES, Hot & Spicy, 1023 Front St., 9pm.

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THE LAMBDA PLAYERS Vampire Lesbians of Sodom & Sleeping Beauty or Coma, 8pm, Sierra II Studio Theatre, 2791 24th St., 442-7752.

FROM CAPES TO KILTS Coronation 1995, Modesto Centre Plaza.

SACRAMENTO SYMPHONY POPS Veteran's Day salute, Keith Brion, conductor, 8pm, Community Center Theatre, 264-5181.

OAKLAND BALLET "The Green table," 8pm, Zellerbach Hall, UCB, 510-762-2277.

BASS TOURNAMENT, Old Sacramento, Events Hotline, 558-3912.

11 SATURDAY

Broadway Series 42nd St. Dec 26-31; *Gypsy*, Jan 30-Feb 4; *An Inspector Calls*, Apr. 2-7; *Ain't Misbehavin'*, May 26 - Jun 2; Sacramento Light Opera Assoc., Community Center Theatre, 1301 L St., 264-5181.

Celebration Arts, *Les Blancs*, Nov. 2-11, 4469 D St., 455-ARTS.

Chautauqua Playhouse, *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof*, thru Nov. 25; *Jazzbirds II*, Dec. 7-23; *Scandals, Lies, and Then Some*, Jan. 12-Feb. 17, 1996; *The White Rose*, March 1-April 6, 1995; *Dial M for Murder*, April 19-May 25, 1996; 5325 Engle Rd., Carmichael, 488-PLAY.

CSUS Theatre Arts, *Richard III*, Nov. 3-19, CSUS University Theatre, 278-6604.

Garbeau's Dinner Theatre, *Rumors*, thru Nov. 19; *A Christmas to Remember*, Nov. 24 - Dec. 31, 12401 Folsom Blvd., 985-6361.

Golden Gate Theatre, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, Jan. 7-Feb. 3, 1996, 415/776-1999, 510/762-BASS.

The Lambda Players, Vampire Lesbians of Sodom & Sleeping Beauty or Coma, thru Nov 11; *Homo for the Holidays*, Dec 21-31; *Edward II* in rep with a Lesbian Spectacular, Apr 5-May 4; *The Killing of Sister George* in rep with *The Boys in the Band*, May 31-Jul 6, 442-7752.

Josie's Cabaret & Juice Joint, *A Line Around The Block*, Nov. 3-Dec. 3, 3583 16th St., San Francisco, 415/861-7933.

Orpheum Theatre, *West Side Story*, Dec. 27-Jan. 21, 1192 Market, San Francisco, 415/474-3800.

River Moon Productions, *The Last Reading of Charlotte Cushman*, Nov. 17, Sierra 2 Community Center, 2791 24th St., 707/996-2436.

Sacramento City Actors Theatre (SCAT), *Charley's Aunt*, Nov. 10-Dec. 16, 3835 Freepot Blvd., 558-2228.

Sacramento Theatre Co., *Last of the Red Hot Lovers*, thru Dec. 17; *A Christmas Carol*, Nov. 20-Dec. 24; *Jar the Floor*, Jan. 9-Feb. 4, '96; *The Classical Rep. Measure for Measure*, *Candida*, Feb. 27 - Apr. 22, '96; *Lonely Planet*, Mar. 27-Jun. 3, '96; *Broken Glass*, May 8-Jun. 3, '96, 1419 H St., 443-6722.

Sacramento Theatre Co. Acting Out, *Three Women With All the Time in the World*, begins Nov. 1, 446-1608.

The Studio Theatre, *It Had To Be You*, Nov. 10-Dec. 17, 1028 R St., 446-2668.

Theatre El Dorado, *A Christmas Carol*, Nov. 24-Dec. 30; *Early One Evening at the Rainbow Bar & Grill*, Jan. 19-Feb. 10; *A New Musical*, Mar. 1-30, Placerville.

UC Davis Dept. of Dramatic Art and Dance, *A Streetcar Named Desire*, Nov. 2-12, Main Theatre, UC Davis, 752-1915.

Visual and Performing Arts Centre, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, thru Nov. 4, Mel Lawson Arts Theatre, Sac. High School, 277-6238.

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GINA LIVINGSTON Harlow's, 2708 J St. 10pm.

DYKES OUT TOGETHER reading group, 7pm, 649-3043.

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18 SATURDAY

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JOAN JETT BLAKK Josie's Cabaret & Juice Joint, midnight, 3583 16th St., San Francisco, 415/861-7933.

EAGLES WALKING, Sarti's, Jibbom St., 10am, 991-2420.

ALMA LATINA New 5th String, 7pm, 452-8282.

FRONTRUNNERS, Guy West Bridge, 9am.

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19 SUNDAY

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20 MONDAY

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21 TUESDAY

SAC FOOD COOP Bd. of Directors meeting, 7pm, Rm. 11, Sierra 2 Center, 2791 24th St.

22 WEDNESDAY

20 SOMETHINGS Social/Rap Group, Lambda Center, 7pm, 442-0185.

EAGLES potluck, Lambda Center, 6:30pm, 641-8460.

FRONTRUNNERS, McKinley Park 6:30pm.

23 THURSDAY

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24 FRIDAY

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25 SATURDAY

DIFFERENT SPOKES Meet @ public parking lot, Nevada/Boulder Sts, Nevada City, 12noon, 15 mile ride, 962-7434.

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FRONTRUNNERS, Guy West Bridge, 9am.

BEING GAY TODAY, Channel 17, 10am.

SACRAMENTO SYMPHONY CLASSICS Musical Fairy Tales, Geoffrey Simon, conductor, Alexander Baillie, Cello, Works of Ravel, Elgar and Rimsky-Korsakov, 2:30pm, Community Center Theatre, 264-5181.

HOLIDAY FESTIVAL, Old Sacramento, Events Hotline, 558-3912.

26 SUNDAY

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING 7th & K Sts., 442-4000.

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GWM Country Lifestyle

Looking for wealthy male for full or parttime roommate, or more. PJ 889-5611. Health and age make no difference. I'm discreet, honest. x11/15

Real Estate For Sale

Life's Divine

In this Carmichael beauty, 2 BR, 2 BA, approx. 1700 sq ft, sep DR, LR, formal DR, parquet flrs, redwood deck, spa pad. \$167,000 967-0973 Agent x11/1

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Roommates

Rm for rent, gay male household, nonsmoking only. Midtown Victorian, no pets, \$350/mo. util incl. 446-4903 Aaron.

GWM roommate wanted: terrific environment in Woodlake area. Must be employed, stable, responsible, considerate, neat, intellectually curious, nonsmoker, \$400. Evenings: 927-6604. Leave best time to return call if no answer. x12/15

Share 4 BR, 3 BA near Elk Grove. No pets, women only, spa, \$350, 682-2089. x11/15

Roommate wanted: So. Natomas, pool and tennis court. \$300/mo + 1/2 util. Ken 925-3733 x11/1

Room for rent \$250 + util. Prefer female to share comfortable 3 BR/2BA home w/one lesbian & four pets. Sorry, no more pets! 427-4342 x11/1

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Come relax, enjoy at cheap rate. 1 1/2 hr. massage Man-to-Man. Discreet, 18+ 920-3623. x12/1

Deep Tissue, Strong "Non-sexual"

Hands highly intuitive and relaxing massage. Mykul, LMT, 326-7917 x12/1

Full body massage for men. Alan 457-5960. x11/15

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Trade? Will trade our vacation home for yours for week or weekend. Sleeps 6, on Clearlake, pier and boat ramp. Fully equipped. 753-0424. TFN

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LOCAL MODELS, ARTISTS, PHOTOGRAPHERS, who want their faces, bodies, art or photos on the front pages or centerfold of the all new DGW. Provocative poses encouraged, but no frontal nudity allowed. No fees paid, but great exposure for artists, models and photographers alike! Brief bio and credits to all when used. Contact 441-6397.

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- ☐ Misc.
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- ☐ Vacation Rentals
- ☐ Wanted
- ☐ Other

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Attach second sheet for additional lines

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MEN SEEKING MEN

HEY "NO JOKE"! LIKE CLASSICAL?

Me: 19 yr. old, 5'7", 145# femme, but I'm flexible. I adore Renaissance, Baroque, and Classical music, softer alternative. When I smile ... you: similar tastes. Us: Friendship first ... I don't bite, unless you want it. **Q1246**

BOXERS BOXERS

Searching for the perfect White/Latin/Asian man in boxers. No white briefs, skimpy bikinis or empty thongs—Just the boxers! Must be 20-25, smooth, in shape body. I'm 22, into kickboxing, camping and more. Must have 5-Star personality! **Q1244**

LET'S MAKE LOVE!

GWM, 5'8", 190 lbs. seeks SAME for fun times and movies and sharing life! **Q1236**

GREETINGS

22 yr. old Spaniard, brn. hair, Mediterranean eyes. If you're into 28" waists, muscles, bar scene, and cowboys read another ad! I enjoy socializing, learning about other cultures, foreign films, fresh flowers, traveling, and smoking cigarettes. WLTW stable, long-term relationship with HIV- GM. Affectionate, outgoing, sense of humor a must! **Q1237**

SILVER FOX

Handsome, educated, GWM mid-50s, HIV-, searching for same or younger. Likes classical or jazz music and rainy afternoons (your place). No feds, drugs, neurotics. **Q1238**

HOT COUNTRY BOY

21 yrs. old, GWM, romantic, loving, caring, love to cuddle and body contact, massage, etc. WLTW 25-45 yr. old man to date, maybe more, HIV-, UB2, NS, ND, if you're ready, come and get it! **Q1239**

LONELY ATHLETE

Athletic GWM WLTW other physically fit GM's who enjoy working out, running and snow skiing for mutually satisfying relationship. Me: 5'11", 160 lbs., NS, ND. **Q1235**

FRUGAL COUNTRY GUY

BiWM 59, 5'11", 200#, in search of a family type guy who's into Mother Earth, camping, fishing, gardening and small town living. NS, ND, NA. Copenhagen chews a plust Home cooks walk on water! Let's talk! **Q1233**

ARE YOU THERE?

Latin GM sought 18-49 by WGM, 49, 5'11", brn hair, blue eyes, brn hair, 190 lbs. Sacramento area. Light drinkers, smokers OK, HIV-. **Q1229**

HOT HORNY HIRSHUTE MAN WANTED

Are you a nasty erotic adventurer. Seeking climaxing excitement, and craving raunchy sexual fulfillment. I'm horny, attractive and athletic. 30, 6', 165 lbs, brown hair, clean cut. I'm looking for a sleazy masculine hirsute man 35-44, with a hot, hairy body. **Q1232**

MAKE MY DAY!

Good looking Lake Tahoe man 40 6'3" 170, blue, **Q1232**

brown, would like to meet well-muscled good looking guys between 21-35 for fun in Sac, Tahoe. Could lead to something else who knows? Prefer dark, swarthy. **Q1224**

PROGRESSIVE NON-PROGRESSOR

GWM, 5'8", bear cub, mid 30s, well educated, attractive, HIV+ nonprogressor (15 years), WLTW a "daddy" type for fun and friendship. Plusses are talking, facial hair, good cuddler, NS, ND, NA. **Q1223**

LET'S DATE FIRST!

GWM 38 blnd, hazel, 160 lbs., 5'10". Relationship oriented, likes candlelight dinner, baking, BBQ, contemporary jazz, kissing, cuddling, massage, camping, swimming at Bridgeport, socializing with good friends. Spiritually enlightened. Looking for GWM between 28 and 38 with similar interest. Preferably dark hair with body hair. Secure, no baggage, sense of humor, open minded to change and grow and be versatile. No feds, femms, LA/NS. **Q1208**

NATIVE AMERICAN BISEXUAL

Hil I'm looking for a REAL relationship with a Jewish, Arab, White or Native American. No drugs, light drink, no smokers, PLEASE be over your last relationship. Must be into normal interests, and be 29-39. **Q1207**

HOT LATIN MALE

33 years old, brn hair, brn eyes, 6'2", 190#, HIV-, handsome, masculine, clean shaven, looking to meet an open-minded sexy boy (18-24), for friendship, fun and passion etc. **Q1206**

LIKE TO HAVE FUN?

Gay Asian 30 yrs. old, 5'5" in good shape and health WLTW gay men & bi who are clean, in good shape and health between 20-40. **Q1220**

PLAY ROUGH

In shape GWM, 48, 5' 10", 173 hairy chest, moustache, tan, strong legs, seeks competitive or fantasy wrestling, boxing, combat games, safe and fun but rough. Wanna play? **Q1218**

CHERRY PICKER

I am 5', 11", dark bedroom eyes, attractive and very curious. If you are ready to be picked call. If you are ripe for the picking call now! **Q1217**

FINICKY ... BUT WORTH IT

GWM would like to meet somebody, but not just anybody—selective. **Q1216**

HOT HOT HOT!

Sexed charged Lucifer I am the nexus for your sexes, let's consulate into one demented soul now! Step into my realm and you are lost irretrievably. Even reading this is heat reactive! **Q1222**

AHOY!

English amalgamation hawk looking for a crew of chicken sailors. You do not have to know what "B mount" is to sail away with my main line. If you want to find out ... phone! **Q1201**

ARE YOU WILLIAM TELL?

An arrow looking for its target: Can that be you? Paint your bullseye and call today—this way! **Q1203**

SUMMER'S OVER...

Winter's coming! I don't want to spend my nights alone! I'm GWM, 35, 195, 5'8". A lonely teddy bear looking to find another half for good times like cuddling, intimacy, and enjoy country western music and dancing. **Q1185**

GAY WHITE MALE

Likes giving massages, willing to give them to those who like receiving. Age, race, etc. unimportant. **Q1190**

DOWN HOME COUNTRY BOY COWBOY

GWM, 29, br/blue, moustache, enjoys quiet times, country dancing, road trips and spontaneity. Seeking jeans, cowboy boots, sense of humor and personality. No drugs, light drinks, passive preferred, no feds. **Q1189**

SPRINKLE ME!

22, 5'9" slim built seeks a man who is down 2 earth, w/2 fantasies especially those in repack, U hear me, then call me. **Q1191**

SNEAKERS

Sneaker action! Into sneaks, high tops, cross trainers, etc. Big feet, big shoes a plus! **Q1181**

hairy seeks same in a bottom for dates, hikes, dinners and more. Call and you won't be disappointed. **Q1156**

SHY LATINO ARTIST

Seeks professional man for old fashioned romance. Relationship comes after long courtship. No sex on first date. I'm handsome, educated 30, 5'5" home-body WLTW similar for intimate sharing. **Q1157**

WANTED DOMINANT DADDY

To tame a GWM, 27 yrs. 6' 2", 190 lbs. red/green. You be sexy and between the ages of 30-45. No feds, femmies or flakes. Let's go crazy! **Q1158**

NEW STUDENT

GWM, 6'1", 168, blond/blue and 30 yrs. old. New to this lifestyle and would like to meet other GWM similar interests to help break me in, learn the ropes, and practice. **Q1159**

MONOGAMY A MUST

22 yr. old GWM me: writer of poetry, short stories and novels. Psych. major. Hiking, alternative music, mountains and moonlight. You: G/BiWM, HIV- relationship oriented, into being friends at first, 18-30. **Q1160**

tired of women. I do not dance. Love to debate. **Q1162**

MINUTE MAN "YES" TABOO

I'm looking for a minute man. I'm looking for a man who wants to hug, snuggle, cuddle and nestle. But not in a minute. Spring coming soon. Later with spring, call me tonight ... baby! **Q1163**

LONELY AND HORNY

Muscle Daddy in need of one to keep him warm all year long: bonus points for fur, excessive muscles and lust, leather, interest in sailing, B/D, computers, dancing, and romantic times. **Q1164**

BI/WM

54, 5'10", 160, very fit, professional, wishes to meet M 45-65 for friendship, work out, films, fun, etc. **Q1167**

LATIN BOYS

This handsome, straight acting GWM WLTW you. 37, 5'11", 175 lbs., grn/brn, dominate, passionate, active with a life. WLTW young, sexy, fun guys for fun and passion: LTR possible. You must like yourself and enjoy life. LA/LD/LS okay, no feds. **Q1168**

SHOWER MATE WANTED

Sensual, young GWM, straight-acting bottom, seeks tall, strong, masculine hairy "daddy" to fulfill my fantasy of endless shower sessions with passionately, dominate stud. Suds me—soap me—I'm yours! **Sample Ad**

SIDEWAYS

Hot, handsome bodybuilder involved in LTR but seeks counterpart for hot, occasional get-togethers at your place. This must be our secret! **Sample Ad**

FUNK BUDDY SOUGHT

Happy, energetic guy for strolling, shows, club stomping, all nighters, all mornings and anything else! Lads with genuine groove, love of hip-hop, and a head full of yes's fine by me! **Sample Ad**

MUSIC, THEATRE

Conversation, laughter, art, friendship, respect, walks, movies, sunsets, sunrises, dreams, fantasies. Did I miss anything? SWM wants to know what YOU like. **Sample Ad**

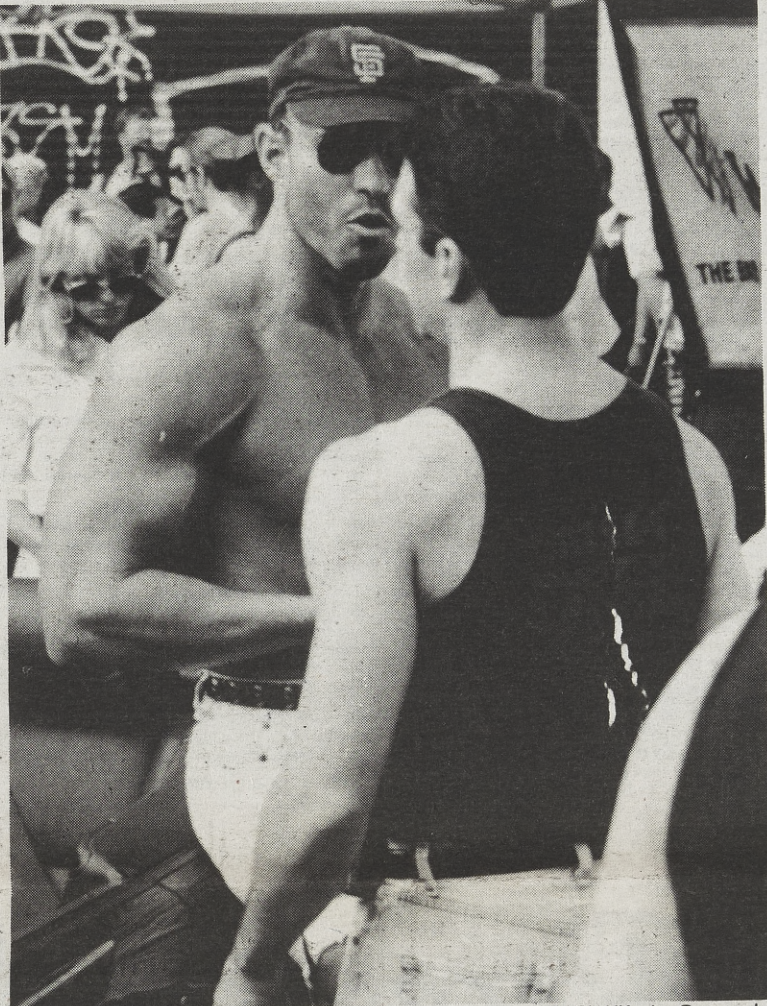
FREE SIX PACK

for any straight acting male over 55 who can drink it within an hour while my expert tongue brings extreme pleasure to you! Uncut a real plus! No young guys please! **Sample Ad**

MEN AGAIN!

Spiritually centered, artsy, curvaceous bi looking to date men again. Out of practice, but sincere, looking for someone who is emotionally available, communicative, and centered. **Sample Ad**

See back pg. for more ads



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Yeah! I saw your ad in MGW and DGW Free Voice Personals ... So what do you want to do right now?

NO JOKE!

Tired of answering ridiculous ads? Well, I fired of meeting guys who don't have a clue about romance or dedication. WLTW very good looking, young GWM with positive attitude and beautiful smile. Please no egos! 18-22 a plus! **Q1182**

HANDSOME, MASCULINE, MUSCULAR

WM 39 on spiritual path looking for partner for camping, hiking, communing with nature, massage therapy and gardening. Foothills natural man. **Q1161**

BI/WM, GRADUATE STUDENT

28, 6 ft., football player build, 185#, brown, hair, eyes. Just moved here, seeking friends, romance, and some good sex. Many interests, a fair amount of time, **Q1161**

NOT NEW IN TOWN ...

But still looking! Good looking, healthy, HIV- GWM, 5'8", 160 lbs, brn/brn, affectionate, very kissable, **Q1161**

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- ☐ Just Friends
- ☐ I Saw You
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- All MGW/DGW ads get a FREE number. (Sorry, no personal telephone numbers, addresses or post office box numbers.)
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- We reserve the right to abbreviate, edit, categorize, or refuse ads submitted for publication.
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Looking for 40+, soft butch to meet me under the mistletoe, roast chestnuts by an open fire, and to toast the New Year. **1245**

OUT OF THE ORDINARY SITUATION DESIRED

Two handsome, successful, secure women seek third for extended family experience. You are open, honest, autonomous, adventuresome and love to laugh. We are open to negotiation. **1234**

EXPERIENCE ME

Thief of hearts looking for a queen of thieves. This violet wants a vamp to paint midnight sweet and morning rain, 23, full-figured a little gothic, a little mod. Can we be forever? **1231**

LOOKING FOR LOVE

I'm hearing-impaired, good hearted, loyal and funny. Movies, music, shopping, pool and I love cats. I'm looking for a gay woman for relationship. 20 to 38, ND, Smoking OK, kid's OK, race and HT/WT unimportant. Serious only. **1200**

GIRL ... MARY'S GONE!

But the beat goes on! Contemporary icon seeks smart 30-40ish butch for dialogue and synergistic encounters. I have seen it, done it and been there and want a playback — with you! **1202**

40 SOMETHING

WLTW other attractive women, 38-45, who are educated, responsible and enjoy activities that span city fun to mountain adventures (i.e., fine dining, theater,

cycling, horseback riding, etc.). I'm politically incorrect, educated, discreet, fun and sociable. **1180**

DO YOU WANNA DANCE?

Smooth, savvy Southern gal seeks fun fem to two-step with. I live in the Russian River area, have boots, will travel. And you? **1183**

MAKE ME LOVE YOU

Looking for a girly-girl to spoil me with love. I'll take care of the rest. I'm GWF 40 manly-girl with too much strength! You're GBW 26-36 with too much beauty! Must dance. NS/ND. **1166**

COUPLES SEEKING COUPLES

SEEKING LESBIAN COUPLE

Bi-racial 40's lesbian couple seeking other lesbian couples for supportive friendship. We like movies, bike rides, plays, concerts, shopping, personal growth, walks, day trips, eating out, and conversation. **1187**

I SAW YOU

LOOKING FOR ERROL ROSS

Errol moved from South Africa to San Francisco in the early 80's. Recent reports say that he now lives in Sacramento. If anybody knows of his whereabouts please contact me ASAP. Thanks! **1243**

LOST YOUR NUMBER!

I ran a voice personals ad around June and got an answer from a great woman in Davis. We met at

Tower Cafe and talked about the East Coast, Bay Area people. Since then I LOST your phone number, and there's good times ahead that I want to ask you about. So, if you get this in between your graduate studies — CALL! Leave your name please so I know it's you! **1242**

PAULA POUNDSTONE

Lesbian couple attending Radisson's Paula Poundstone presentation on 8/4/95. You sat behind us; we were next to trash can and tree with aisle in front of us. One of you was taking her monthly turn in taking the other out. **1188**

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TEASE & PLEASE COUPLE

Young attorney and shapely, young blonde seek slender, shapely female to tease and please. Dining, dancing, fun in the sun. You won't be disappointed. **Sample Ad**

FULL & APPEALING

Latina, 31, 5'6", 140 lbs, brunette, with tattoos. Figure drawing artist with etiquette to wine/dine me. Seeking fantasy, no commitment for some experience. Serious, discreet only. No butches. **Sample Ad**

BUTCH ASIAN?

Masculine, buff, sexy GWF, 5'8", 150 lbs, seeks very good-looking GAF, feds/drugs/smokers. Go for it! **Sample Ad**

RED SHOE FANTASIES...

And much more, yours and mine. I'm a fit, playful, mischievous blonde. You're fit and playful, too! Come, join me for the mutual moonlight mystery dance. **Sample Ad**

R U OUT THERE?

Fair-looking, big-busted white butch seeks big-busted femme butch, any age/race as friends for now. Must love cats, adult type entertainment, and long walks, letters, etc. **Sample Ad**

PASSIONATE, EXOTIC FEMALE

Attractive, feminine, shapely, athletic, open-minded, independent, 30. Seeking beautiful, sensual, responsive, shapely lesbian for untold adventures. **Sample Ad**

CUSTOM-MADE WOMAN

Real honey, fresh from European assembly line, extremely low mileage, seeks caring, mature driver, good specs: blonde, 5'8", 130 lbs. **Sample Ad**

FUN GIRL

30s, bright, sexy, slender and very good-looking, seeks the same in you. For definite friendship and maybe more. I'm hoping you're experienced, because I'm not! **Sample Ad**

DADDY BUTCH

Seeks demure female, heavy on attitude and light on switching. Particularly partial to femmes who crave heavy-handed father figure. **Sample Ad**

LARGE, LOVELY, EXOTIC

Pleasantly plump seeks evening pleasures with woman

who enjoys my type. Long dark hair, big brown eyes, healthy. Feast with wine, candlelight, roses and me. **Sample Ad**

LIPSTICK LESBIAN

32, metaphysical, brainy, witty, warm. Seeking pal (gay only) for upcoming parade, night clubbing. Butch/femme. Be real, intelligent, funny, mentally healthy. **Sample Ad**

LESBIAN WOMAN?

Sharon Stone/Marilyn Monroe combination, intelligent, cool attitude, soft, sensual, daring. Must quench my feminine lust. **Sample Ad**

BI ENCOUNTERS/ VARIATIONS

MISS DADDY?

Need someone to guide you, hold you, pamper you? This blessed BiWM, 5'9", 165, uninhibited nice guy WLTW younger, slim, submissive aals and guys, any

JUST FRIENDS

MOTORCYCLE RIDER

GWM WLTW other gay/lesbian riders for day or evening trips. should have own motorcycle. **1240**

SHAGGY BEAUTIFUL LADY

I am a 20 year old lady. Looking for just friends. I came to USA about 2 years ago, so I don't have that many friends here. I am a pretty lady!! **1230**

"POOR JAPANESE"

I am a 20 yr. old Japanese guy. Looking good, and looking for any types of friends: gays, lesbians, bisexual, just want to go to a coffee shop together and talk! Call me!! **1186**

LOVELY IN MEMPHIS

I am an attractive lesbian with a beautiful persimmon complexion seeking friendship through long distance. This friendship could blossom into romance; distance is no big deal! I'm very educated, health-oriented,



AD OF THE WEEK

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race, for fantasies, role playing, hassle free pleasure and good times. Long term, mutually satisfying friendship desired. **1227**

ENTERTAIN MEN!

Top B/M WLTW, bottom fem GM, bi male, TV or bi females for fun and personal friendship. You must like leather and lace, and be willing to experience new things and be able to entertain me. **1219**

LET'S GO ON AN EXPEDITION!

BRD/MASC GWM new to area 5'11" brn hair/smooth, 40s looking for Bi/GWM in area. I'm secure, good job, many interests and looking for new adventures. Let's explore all the possibilities! **1154**

GRAZING?

The next time you call to answer a voice personal ad, try our "Browse" feature. You can listen to lots of different voices in a row, and respond to any voice you'd like to hear more of. It's like reading the personals with your ears!

gentle, love the outdoors, I also love writing. **1165**

LITERATE LESBIAN

40s, postmodern and prehistoric seeks likeminded, artists, intellectuals, and nerds for friendship, conversation, agitation, reflection, companionship. No sex, just the romance of the universe, the politics of experience, spiritual and absurd. Davis-based. **1169**

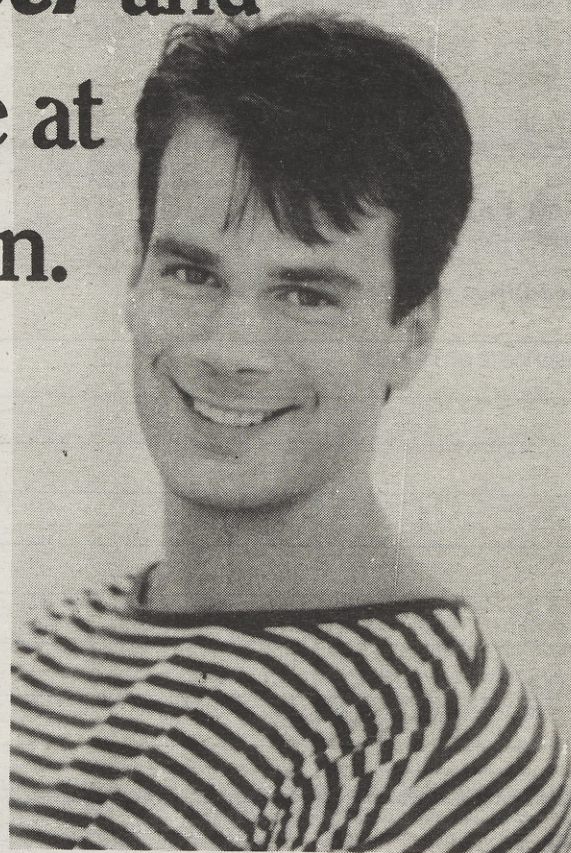
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